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Obituaries

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He will be greatly missed by his family of three sons,

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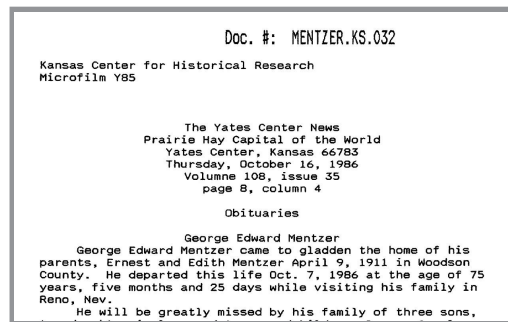
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Friday Finds

Friday, July 01, 2022

Have you used microfilm to locate obituaries? With deep Kansas roots, I took advantage of the newspaper microfilm collection at the Kansas State Historical Society to locate many obituaries of my ancestors and cousins. Those early days of research produced hand-written notes that may or may not have been word processed.

While I'm able to access some of those same newspapers on Newspapers.com to get digital images, a few of those newspapers are yet to be digitized. Thus, I'm relying on those old notes and/or documents. As I was reviewing Mentzer data, I found that those old notes are the only source I have for the obituary of George Edward Mentzer (1911-1986)



George Edward Mentzer

George Edward Mentzer came to gladden the home of his parents, Ernest and Edith Mentzer April 9, 1911 in Woodson County. He departed this life Oct. 7, 1986 at the age of 75 years, five months and 25 days while visiting his family in Reno, Nev.

He will be greatly missed by his family of three sons, two daughter-in-laws and two grandchildren, Bruce, Carol, Ben and Morgan, Stanley and Teresa of Reno, Nev., and Scot of Kansas City, Kan. He also leaves six brothers, Tye, Newton, Iowa; Austin, Ensign, Kans; Keith, Reno, Nev.; Burdette, Yates Center; Norryce, Wenatchee, Wash.; Donald, Reno, Nev.; and one sister, Juanita Baldwin, Middletown, Conn. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, Laddie and Lovell, and one sister, Fleta VanValkenburg.

Ed's childhood was spent in the West Owl Creek Community. He received his education at the Oakland School and Yates Center High School. He was baptized in the Yates Center Methodist Church at an early age. He started working on the Missouri Pacific railroad at Durand, Kan., during the 1930s and worked there until he joined the U.S. Army in the 770th Railway Operating Battalion, March 10, 1942. He spent most of his time while in the service in the Pacific Theatre. After his discharge on Dec. 23, 1945, he returned to Wichita where he continued to work as a baggage man on

the railroad express.

Ed had his first heart attack in 1975 while living in Kansas City. At that time, he moved to Yates Center and made his home here until his death. He really enjoyed getting reacquainted with all of his old friends.

After eye surgery in 1980, he was totally blind.

However, that did not stop many of his activities as he kept up with all the football and baseball games and all of the news going on. Of course his favorite past time was visiting with all of the people who came to see him.

Heartland Genealogy

Funeral services were held Saturday, Oct. 11, 1986, at 10:30 a.m. from the Campbell Funeral Home. Place of internment Yates Center Cemetery. Memorial to Meals on Wheels.

Saturday Tidbits

Saturday, July 02, 2022

1940 Draft List

Continued

The Courier-Tribune (Seneca, Kansas)
November 28, 1940
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Draft Order
(Official List Continued)

450 Joseph Clement Deters
451 Wolfred Michael Kennedy
453 Merlin Chester Myers
454 Frances George Hartman
455 Virgil Rufus Carpenter
456 Alvin Leo Bauman
457 George Earl Byrne
458 Clarence Morse Ronnebaum
459 Paul Earl Noble
460 Alva Fidelus Myers
461 Edwin Henry Wessel
462 Leo Lucas
463 Charles Herman
464 Raymond Lyle Levick
465 Lawrence Harrison Shuck
466 Cyril Joseph Lauer
467 Norbert Leo Huerter
468 Lynn Thomas King
469 Roy Fern Wade
470 Clarence Edwin Maelzer
471 Glen James Madden
472 Gottlieb Emil Eichenberger
473 Tobias Jesse Strahm
474 James Walter Smith
475 William Albert Gugelman
476 Walter Charles Metzger
477 Lawrence M. Sigmund
478 Alvin Francis Huber
479 Joseph Arthur Emert
480 Harry Rogers
481 George William Hartter
482 Francis Albert Ratliff
483 Virgil Bernard Haug
484 Earl Arealius Hightower
485 Elmer Samuel Isch
486 Frank Timothy Heiman
487 Stephen Dennis Glynn

488 John Kenneth Kenworthy
489 Cameron Earl Nickels
490 Donald Poe Dittmore
491 Clement Peter Schmelzle
492 Paul Patrick Smith
493 Harvey Charles Robison
494 Walter Leuthold
495 Melvin Bernard Stallbaumer
496 Ivan J. Nicholas Christman
497 Adria Maurice Haug
498 George Stephen Moore
499 Walter Emil Meyer
500 Vollie Aloysius Shump

Completed

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

Sunday, July 03, 2022

It's Saturday Night –

time for more Genealogy Fun!

Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible music here) is to:

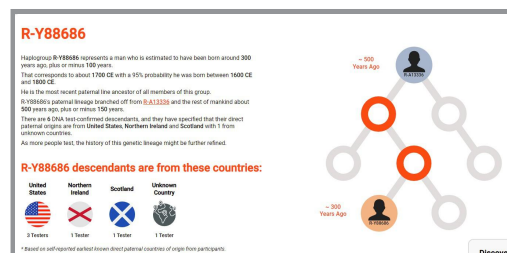
1) I am completely out of ideas for this week – and am late in posting. What genealogy activity have you spent time on this week?

I have been working on the same genealogy goal for the past several weeks: researching the descendants of a third great grandfather, Ozias Wells. While I've been working on this for a while, I still have quite a bit of research to go. When finished, I will have researched descendants down to about 1950 for all of my third great grandparents.

Since I prefer to work ahead on my blog posts, I've also written several posts that will be published in the next week or so.

Thanks to a Facebook post by one of the Crawford yDNA project coordinators, I investigated the newly released Discover feature on FamilyTreeDNA. (See: FamilyTreeDNA Discover Launches – Including yDNA Haplogroups)

When I put in my CRAWFORD haplogroup, I discovered that a common ancestor is predicted for about 300 years ago.

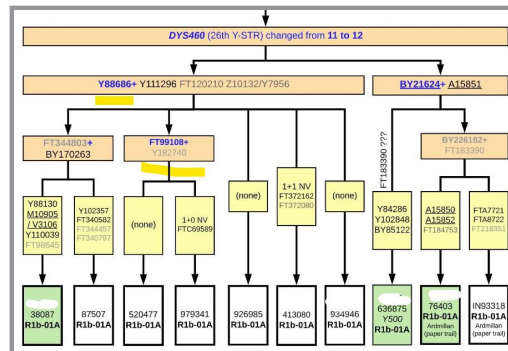


The project administrator asked me how these results look for my branch of the tree. Since I have researched 5 of the 6 lines that were in the haplogroup and done some research on the 6th line, I felt comfortable responding to his query. Below is my response.

The 300 years for R-Y88686 seems probable. The current theory is that the James b1758 is the uncle to the James b 1770. Thus, a common ancestor for the two of them being born around 1720 seems to fit the paper trail. The margin of error of 100 years might mean the common ancestor is back another generation or two. We don't know where/how my James (b1772) fits in. We have a theory that William Nelson Crawford (b 1829) descends from the James b1770 but no proof yet.

While looking at this data and yDNA matches, I discovered that my brother's BigY results were completed. Not only did the project administrator confirm that those results were

back but indicated that they will likely result in my branch of the tree being separated out from the other members of the Y88686 haplogroup. Thus, my James Crawford may not be as closely related to the other James as previously thought. Below is how the new BigY tree might look for my portion of it.



While I'm plugging along at researching the WELLS descendants, it was a nice break to learn about the new DISCOVER feature on FamilyTreeDNA and to review my new place in the Crawford tree.

Patriots

Monday, July 04, 2022



In honor of the 4th of July, I am reposting this from last year.

Does your tree go back to colonial times? If so, have you tried to find revolutionary war ancestors? When I first started researching my tree, I looked for a Crawford that served. Unfortunately, I still haven't been able to get my tree back far enough on my Crawford line to have a potential patriot.

Since I had a copy of my great grandmother's application to the Daughters of the American Revolution, I gave up looking for a Crawford patriot and applied using her application — and I was denied. Her application used Jason Hammond (1762-1842) as her patriot ancestor.

1. I, Donie Winifred Hammond Crawford, being of the age of eighteen years and upwards, hereby apply for membership in the Society by right of lineal descent in the following line from Jason Hammond who was born in Bolton, Conn. on the 1st day of Feb., 1762 and died in Math, Ohio on the 21st day of Sept., 1830. His place of residence during the Revolution was Conn. I was born near Maiva County of PROX State of Illinois on 2-9-1874.

(Please give all dates by numerals, month first, and given names in full)

1. I am the daughter of Richmond Risk Hammond born on 11-20-1840 at Ohio died at Lawtelle, Calif. on 4-8-1928 married (1) on 1-1-1867 to Sarah Ellen Halston born on 5-11-1846 at St. Louis, Mo. Ills died at Lodge City, Kansas on 10-19-1892

2. The said Richmond Risk Hammond was the child of Horatio Hammond born on 10-24-1798 at Ohio died at PROX Co. Ills on 10-7-1879 married (1) on 4-14-1825 to Louisa Risk born on 8-16-1806 at Watertown, N.Y. died at PROX Co. Ills on 8-17-1874

3. The said Horatio Hammond was the child of Jason Hammond born on 2-1-1762 at Bolton, Conn. died at Math, Ohio on 9-21-1830 married (1) on 2-24-1788 to Rechel Hale born on 12-11-1758 at Winstonsbury, Conn. died at Math, Ohio on 11-11-1842

4. The said Jason Hammond was the child of Nathaniel Hammond born on 9-16-1763 at Conn? married (1) on 12-10-1817 to Brothy Tucker born on 1740 at Conn? died at Conn? on 12-25-1778

For research on this family, which is needed for building

However, the line thru this Jason Hammond is closed. My application was modified to go thru Jason's father, Nathaniel Hammond (#A050625) who provided patriotic service for Connecticut.

After my application was approved, I quit looking at most of my other branches. Wanting to have a patriot ancestor on my mom's side of the tree, I did investigate the Buckles line.

Recently, I was curious about how many patriot lines I might have in my tree. Thus, I started researching the men in the 8th generation of my tree to see if someone with similar information was listed in the DAR ancestor file. And I found quite a few ancestors on the DAR site.

Paternal Side

- Elizur Talcott (1709-1797) #A113367 provided patriotic service and served as a Colonel for Connecticut in the 6th Regiment militia under Brigadier General Wolcott
- John Foster (1735-1800) #A041635 served as a private for Maryland under Capt. Peter Mantz
- Daniel Harris (abt 1737-1821) #A051563 served as a private for Virginia under Capt. James Kearny, Cols Thomas Hartly, Hubley
- Samuel Demarest (1707-1785) #A131555 possibly served for York County, Pennsylvania.
- Simon Van Arsdale (1746-1802) #A117118 served as a Major for Pennsylvania under Col. Andrew in the York County militia and also as a Captain under Col. McPherson and an ensign under Capt. Hugh Campbell
- Henry Banta (1718-1805) #A005785 provided patriotic service for Pennsylvania
- Harmanus Ostrander (1729-1803) #A210554 served as a private for new York in the Ulster county militia
- Ebenezer Merry (1748-1809) #A078189 served as a private for Connecticut under Lt. Seymour and Maj Newberry
- Stephen Peabody (1753-1838) #A086830 served as a sergeant for Massachusetts under Capt. Jabes West and Col. Jonathan Eddy

Maternal Side

- Benjamin Rush (1752-1819) #A100014 provided patriotic service in North Carolina by furnishing supplies in 1780
- James Buckles (1733-1797) #A016515 served as a Captain for Virginia in the Berkeley County militia
- Thomas Dawson (1760-1832) #A030832 provided patriotic service for Virginia by furnishing supplies
- Oliver Miles (1738-1820) #A078880 served as a private for Massachusetts under Lt. Ephraim Wheeler and Col Eleazor Brooks
- John Josselyn Junior (1735-1810) #A063118 served as a Captain for Massachusetts under Col. John Whetcomb at Lexington and in the 8th Worcester County Militia under Col Job Cushing. He was also a town treasurer.
- Nathaniel Wells Senior (1730-1804) #A122573 served as a private for Connecticut under Capt. James Chapman and Col. Samuel Holden Parsons
- Oliver White (1724-1789) served as a private for Massachusetts under Capt Eliakim Smith at Lexington and under Captains Smith, Moses Kellogg and Col. Jonathan Ward
- David Kennedy (1730-1792) #A064685 served as a private for Connecticut at Lexington
- Comfort Barnes (1737-1816) #A006295 was a civil servant and provided patriotic service for Massachusetts. He served on the Committee of Safety or Correspondence.

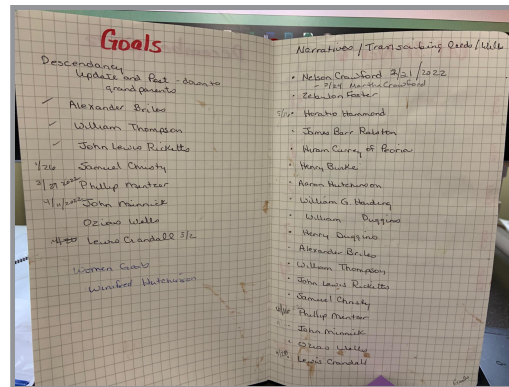
I never dreamed I had this many potential patriots in my tree! Now, I have to not only

document their service but make sure I have documented my line back to them.

Making Progress

Tuesday, July 05, 2022

Did you make New Years resolutions for your genealogy work? Or did you create a list of goals or even smart goals? I've found that creating a list of goals helps keep me focus my research. Since the year is half over, it is a good time to check my progress.



Previously, I had researched the descendants of my 3rd great grandparents on my dad's side of the tree. Thus, one of my main goals for 2022 was to do the same for my 3rd great grandparents on my mom's side of the tree.

- Alexander Briles
- William Thompson
- John Lewis Ricketts
- Samuel Christy
- Phillip Mentzer
- John Minnick
- Ozias Wells
- Lewis Crandall

Since I am currently researching the descendants of Ozias Wells, I feel like I've made GREAT progress on this goal. Even though I don't do much 'searching' for sources for these descendants, it is still time consuming to work the Ancestry hints.

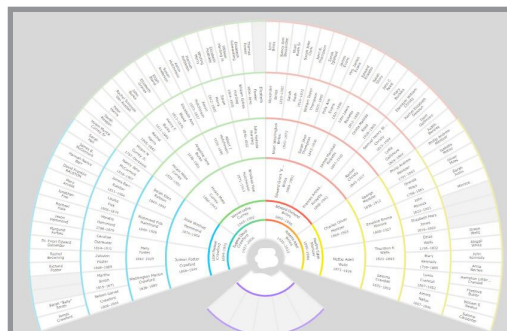
As I've completed this descendancy research and used TreeShare to update my Heartland Genealogy tree on Ancestry, I'm also finding more DNA matches with Common Ancestors identified. In one case, this descendancy research has helped me share information about their Kansas roots with a cousin whose grandmother had moved back east over 50 years ago.

While I'm about finished with my goals to research descendants that leaves the other set of goals: the narrative reports. As I'm rechecking the various facts and sources I've accumulated for the men on this list, I'm also taking time to make sure I've transcribed any records I've collected for them. In some cases, this is revealing holes in my research which sends me on a search for more records.

- Nelson G. Crawford
- Martha Smith Crawford
- Zebulon Foster

- Horatio Hammond
- James Barr Ralston
- Hiram Currey (of Peoria)
- Henry Burke
- Aaron Hutchinson
- William G. Harding
- William Duggins
- Henry Duggins
- Alexander Briles
- William Thompson
- John Lewis Ricketts
- Samuel Christy
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While I've made progress on this list of narrative reports, I still have plenty of work to keep me busy for the second half of 2022. If I should happen to complete these goals before the end of 2022, I already know that my next set of goals will be to research descendants and update narrative reports for my 4th great grandparents. Since my fan chart is fairly complete for this generation, I won't be lacking for tasks on my to do list for at least a couple of years to come!

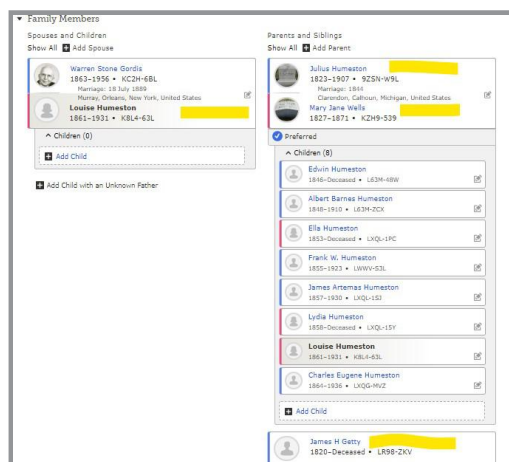


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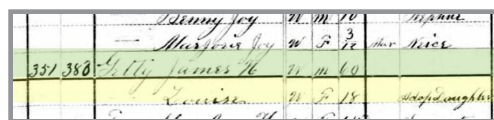
Wednesday, July 06, 2022

Do you ever get confused by Ancestry hints that use a different surname for a woman? I have to confess that at times multiple marriages can cause me to wonder whether the hint is actually for the person I'm researching. That was my case recently when researching Louise Humeston, daughter of Julius Hermeston and Mary Jane Wells.

While I expected lots of hints for Louise Humeston, I did not expect hints for Louise Getty. Thus, I checked FamilySearch to see if there was another husband. Instead of finding a second husband, I found a second FATHER. (NOTE: FamilySearch gives her name as Louise while Find a Grave lists her as Louisa.)



And that totally confused me! Thankfully, I started searching for Louise Getty in the census records and found the ANSWER to the puzzle. The 1880 census record indicates that Louise was adopted by James Getty.



1880 U.S. Census, Orleans County, New York, population schedule, Albion, Orleans County, New York, ED 142, Page 35 Image 35 of 51, family 380, James H. Getty; digital images, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com) : viewed online 22 June 2022)

While this census record cleared up my confusion about Louise's name, it created a new issue. I did not know how to enter the adoption in my RootsMagic file.

Since I didn't know how to connect James Getty to Louise Humeston as an adoptive father, I elected to follow my usual procedure for adding family members: downloading from FamilySearch. That process brought James H Getty into my file as a second parent for Louise.

Louise Humeston-9638
1861-

☐ Show relative events

Fact	Details
Person	Louise Humeston-9638
Spouse	Warren Stone Gordis-21858
Parents	Julius Humeston-4798 and Mary Jane Wells-2793
Parents	[Unknown]-0 and James H Getty-21859
Groups	Color coded Pink - Mentzer; Crawford, Marcia7 gen Ancestors AND descendants; Dead; Heartland2018; I
WebTags	<No WebTags>
Age	
Birth	about 1861 Michigan, United States
Residence	13 June 1870 Vermontville Township, Eaton, Michigan, United States

My next step was to create the ADOPTION fact. I used the 1880 census as the source for the adoption fact.

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Having never used this fact before, I was not aware of the ability to add parents in the body of the fact. Thus, it took me a bit to realize that I could add James Getty to the Adoption fact.

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The other aspect of RootsMagic that I was not aware of was the ability to click on the parents and change the relationship from BIRTH to ADOPTED by pulling down on the relationship field.

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Now that I've figured out the name change from Louise Humeston to Louise Getty and how to document that change in RootsMagic, I can go back to researching Louise and other descendants of Ozias Wells.

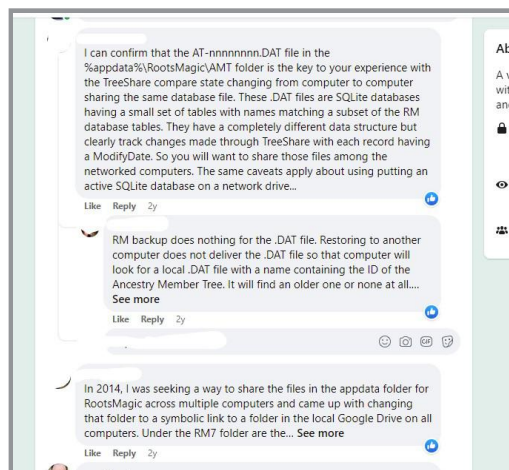
TreeShare Issues

Thursday, July 07, 2022

Are you a RootsMagic user who at times likes to work on your genealogy from the comforts of your living room couch or recliner versus from your genealogy office? While I spend most of my time in front my desktop computer, I do want to use my laptop in the living room – particularly to do TreeShare.

Unfortunately, when I was uploading changes from my laptop, those uploads weren't being recognized by my desktop. Thus, I couldn't switch back and forth between computers to do the TreeShare uploads. Not wanting to be limited to my desktop, I started trying to research the issue.

After researching on both the RootsMagic Users Group in Facebook and the RootsMagic Community, I finally found a discussion on Facebook that shed light on the issue, Tree share anomaly. In the comments, one user provided the clue to the 'why' behind the TreeShare issues: the AMT folder.

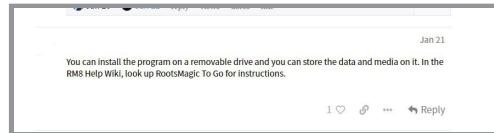


Based on this comment, I tried an experiment.

- Opened TreeShare on my desktop to see who needed to be transferred
- Closed TreeShare and RootsMagic
- Allowed my RootsMagic file to upload to Dropbox and then download to my laptop
- Located the AMT folder on my desktop and copied it to a USB drive
- Copied the AMT folder from the USB drive to my laptop, overwriting the existing folder and files
- Ran RootsMagic on my laptop and performed several uploads in TreeShare
- Closed RootsMagic on my laptop allowing it to backup.
- Allowed RootsMagic file on my laptop to upload to Dropbox
- Downloaded RootsMagic file onto my desktop computer
- Copied the AMT folder from my laptop to the USB drive
- Copied the AMT folder from the USB drive back to my desktop allowing it to overwrite the folders and files
- Opened RM on my desktop
- Ran TreeShare and VERIFIED that those individuals who were uploaded to Ancestry

on my laptop were still uploaded on my desktop.
Thus, I was able to verify that the AMT folder contains TreeShare data that is NOT part of the RootsMagic file. While copying the folder back and forth between computers resolves the TreeShare issue, I will have to be diligent to make sure I'm keeping that folder in sync.

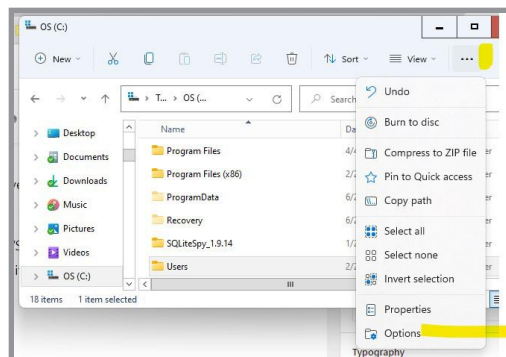
That's why I'm intrigued about another comment in response to the issue, Rootsmagic.exe on the rootsmagic usb, posted in the RootsMagic Community. In this comment, I discovered that I could install RootsMagic on a USB drive. (Directions in the Wiki article: RootsMagic To-Go)



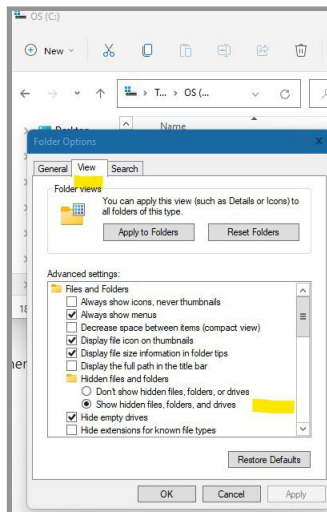
While I haven't taken this step, I am intrigued by the possibility of being able to have everything, program, AMT folder, file, exhibits all on a USB drive.

So, where is this 'magic' AMT folder that stores the TreeShare data. First, on a WINDOWS PC, this folder is a 'hidden' folder which means one has to turn on the ability to see 'hidden' files before it can be found. To view hidden files:

- Open Windows Explorer (hold down windows key and press E)
- Look on the left side of the window and scroll down to find THIS PC
- The AMT folder will be on the C drive unless the USER folders were moved. (Those who know how to move USER folders, should also know where the folder is located.)
- Click on the C drive
- Locate the three dots in the upper left corner of the explorer window and click on them to pull down the menu
- Click on Options

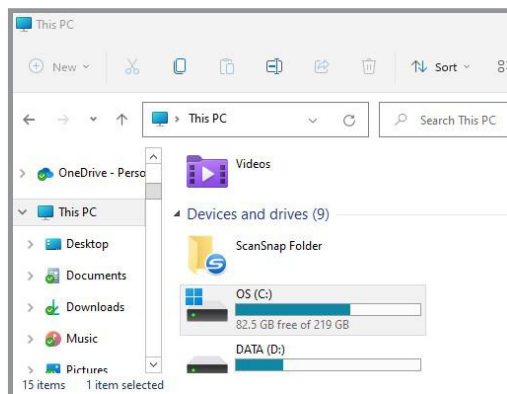


- Click on VIEW
- Locate the section for HIDDEN FILES AND FOLDERS and click on the option to 'Show hidden files, folders or drives.'

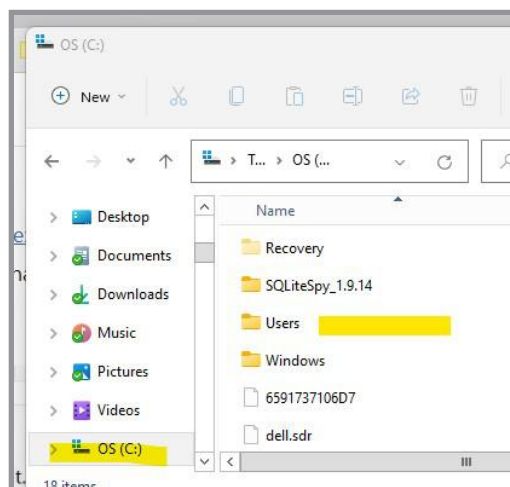


To locate the AMT folder

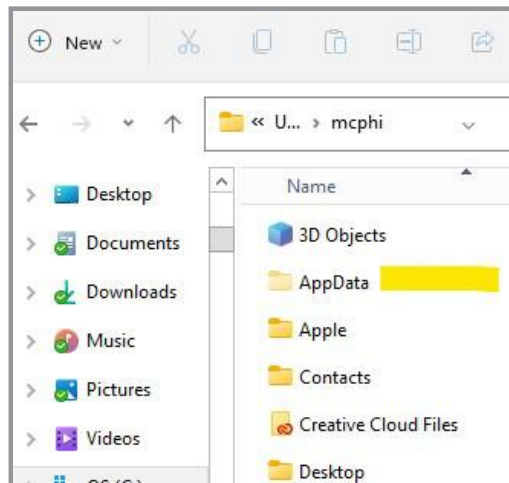
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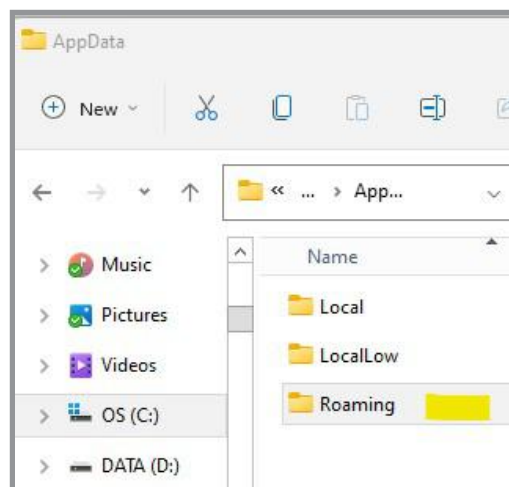
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- Double Click on the C drive



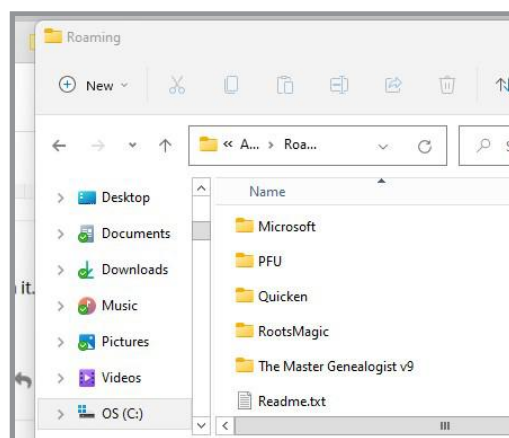
- On the right side, scroll down and locate the USERS folder
- Double Click on the USERS folder and then Double Click on your user name
- Locate the APPDATA folder and double click on it to open the folder



- Locate the ROAMING folder and double click on it to open the folder



- Scroll down and locate the RootsMagic folder and double click on it to open the folder



- In that folder is the AMT folder

Friday Finds

Friday, July 08, 2022

Do you have newspaper clippings in your files? Not only do I have clippings saved by my grandmothers, but I also have images of newspapers articles from my early days of research. One of those photocopies is a list of many of my MENTZER relatives who attended the funeral of John Williams, husband of Clara Mentzer Williams.

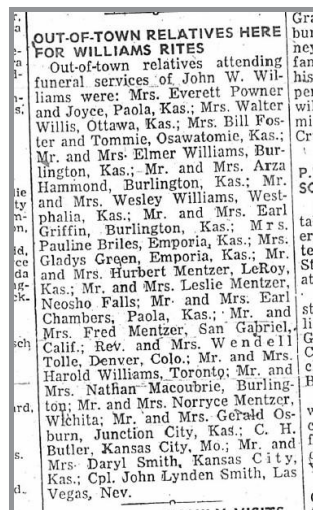
Yates Center News

1 Aug 1957

page 5 col 3

Out-of-Town Relatives Here for Williams Rites

Out-of-town relatives attending funeral services of John W. Williams ere: Mrs. Everett Powner and Joyce, Paola, Kas.; Mrs. Walter Willis, Ottawa, Kas.; Mrs. Bill Foster and Tommie, Osawatomie, Kas.; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Williams, Burlington, Kas.; Mr. and Mrs. Arza Hammond, Burlington, Kas.; Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Williams, Westphalia, Kas.; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Griffin, Burlington, Kas.; Mrs. Pauline Briles, Emporia, Kas.; Mrs. Gladys Green, Emporia, Kas.; Mr. and Mrs. Hurbert Mentzer, LeRoy, Kas.; Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Mentzer, Neosho Falls; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Chambers, Paola, Kas.; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mentzer, San Gabriel, Calif.; Rev. and Mrs. Wendell Tolle, Denver, Colo.; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Williams, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Macoubrie, Burlington; Mr. and Mrs. Norryce Mentzer, Wichita; Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Osburn, Junction City, Kas.; C. H. Butler, Kansas City, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. Daryl Smith, Kansas City, Kas.; Cpl. John Lynden Smith, Las Vegas, Nev.



I thankful I found and copied this article since it identifies many of the MENTZER family members along with giving their place of residence.

Saturday Tidbits

Saturday, July 09, 2022

1940 Draft List

Nemaha County Kansas

Courier Tribune
December 5, 1940

Draft Order
(Official List Continued)

[No. 338, was dropped off the last printed list in handling of that type. This order number is held by Lyle Arthur Steck. The list continues from Number 500]

500 Vollie Aloysius Shump
501 Paul Bingham Breitweiser
502 Max Clarence Leuze
503 Clayton George Whistler
504 Charles Harold Barrett
505 John Albert Buessing
506 Cletus Henry Lackey
507 Forrest Edward Kessler
508 Donald John VanDonge
509 William Harold Long
510 Gerald Frederick Summer
511 Joseph Julius Berger
512 Lewis Albert Carpenter
513 Calvin Wayne Gordon
514 Gerald Patrick Gaughan
515 Earl Hugh Wilson
516 Roland Reed Cordon
517 Henry A. Woolsoncroft
518 John B. Rethman
519 Efton Lymon Baker
520 Francis Leroy Flentie
521 Henry Dale Buckholder
522 Fred Elwood Busenburk
523 Arthur Frederick Klahr
524 Harmon Robert Spiker
525 Adolph Albert Hermesesch
526 Marion Duane Noble
527 Walter John Eisenbarth
528 Lambert John Heinen
529 Lorin Lavern Sweetland
530 Neil Frederick Werner
531 Vernon Allen Groff
532 Henry Kenneth Meers
533 John Jerome Mulroy
534 LeRoy Ernest Louze

535 Clyde Jake Ralston
536 Anthony Wm. Tanking
537 Floyd Albert Cox
538 Edwin Charles Porter
539 Martin Joseph Rucker
540 Charles Aloysius Nolte
541 Francis Adolph Gabbert
542 Leander Joseph Kokenge
543 Clarence hart Steele
544 Henry Alvin Warren
545 Nolen Peter Madden
546 Walter Franklin Bryan
547 Glen Emmett Miller
548 Alban Matthias Haug
549 Roy Everet Marx
550 Carson Ray Hinton

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

Sunday, July 10, 2022

It's Saturday Night –

time for more Genealogy Fun!

Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible music here) is to:

1) What is your favorite summer memory?

When it comes to 'favorite' memories, they mostly involve family. However, I have one summer memory that has stuck with me that did not involve family. Instead, I did something very unusual for me. I went on a bus trip by myself!

Can you guess what the destination of this bus trip was?



This bus trip was my first introduction to the tour director, Ruth Keys Clark. During this trip and the second one I took, Ruth became one of my mentors. Not only did she teach me a lot about genealogy but she also encouraged me to become more involved in genealogical societies — particularly the Kansas Council of Genealogical Societies.



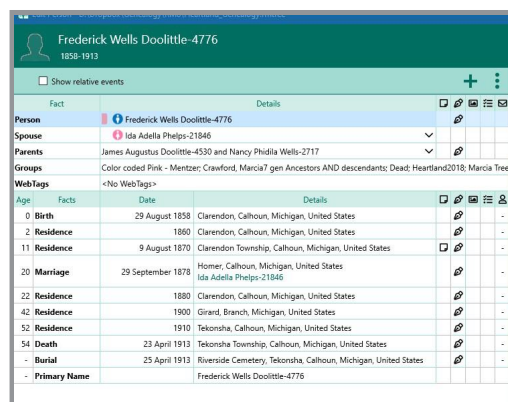
I am thankful that I had the courage to make that journey to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah under the guidance of Ruth.

Conflicting Sources

Monday, July 11, 2022

In your genealogy research, have you encountered a tree containing a different death date for an individual in your tree that also includes a source? Most of the time when I encounter differing information, I can locate sourcing to support one set of information. However, I don't remember encountering a difference in information with sourcing for both sets of dates.

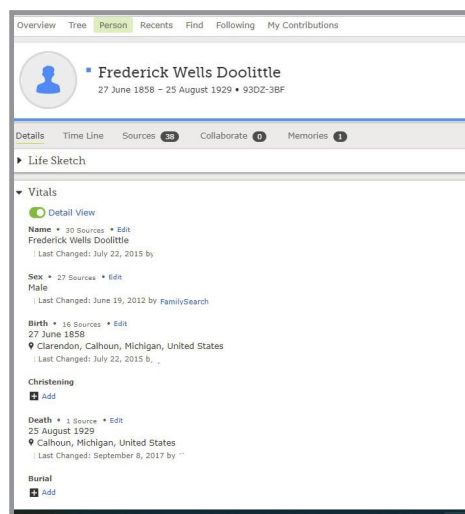
That's my situation with Frederick Wells Doolittle, son of Nancy Phidila Wells and James Augustus Doolittle of Calhoun County, Michigan. In RootsMagic, I have recorded 23 April 1913 as the death date for Frederick Doolittle.



Fact	Details
Person	Frederick Wells Doolittle-4776
Spouse	Ida Adella Phelps-21846
Parents	James Augustus Doolittle-4530 and Nancy Phidila Wells-2717
Groups	Color coded Pink - Mentzer, Crawford, Marcia7 gen Ancestors AND descendants; Dead: Heartland2018; Marcia Tree
WebTags	<No WebTags>

Age	Facts	Date	Details
0	Birth	29 August 1858	Clarendon, Calhoun, Michigan, United States
2	Residence	1860	Clarendon, Calhoun, Michigan, United States
11	Residence	9 August 1870	Clarendon Township, Calhoun, Michigan, United States
20	Marriage	29 September 1878	Homer, Calhoun, Michigan, United States Ida Adella Phelps-21846
22	Residence	1880	Clarendon, Calhoun, Michigan, United States
42	Residence	1900	Girard, Branch, Michigan, United States
52	Residence	1910	Tekonsha, Calhoun, Michigan, United States
54	Death	23 April 1913	Tekonsha Township, Calhoun, Michigan, United States
-	Burial	25 April 1913	Riverside Cemetery, Tekonsha, Calhoun, Michigan, United States
-	Primary Name		Frederick Wells Doolittle-4776

On FamilySearch, there is a death date of 25 August 1929 for Frederick Wells Doolittle.



Field	Value	Sources	Last Changed
Name	Frederick Wells Doolittle	30 Sources	July 22, 2015 by [user]
Sex	Male	27 Sources	June 19, 2012 by FamilySearch
Birth	27 June 1858	16 Sources	July 22, 2015 by [user]
Birth Location	Clarendon, Calhoun, Michigan, United States		
Christening		1 Source	
Death	25 August 1929	1 Source	September 8, 2017 by [user]
Death Location	Calhoun, Michigan, United States		
Burial			

There is a source for the death date on FamilySearch that indicates the date of death came from a pension file. The link to the source leads to a pension file on Fold 3. This source does support 25 Aug 1929 as the death date for a Fred W Doolittle.

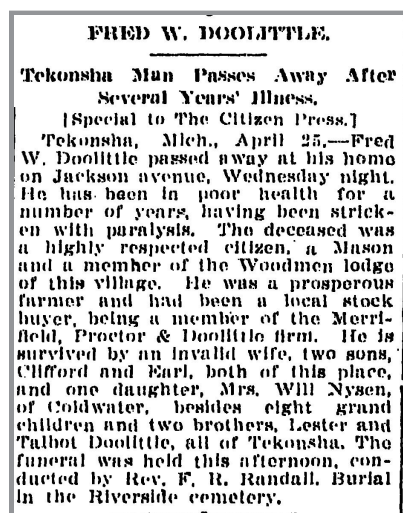
DEAD				
NAME OF DECEASED				
Doolittle, Fred W.				
SERVICE: Late road, OX, 32nd Mich Inf.				
TERMS OF SERVICE: Enlisted May 13, 1899 Discharged Nov. 9, 1899				
DATE OF FILING	CLASS	APPLICATION NO.	LAW	CERTIFICATE NO.
1925 June 4	Enrolled	1616083	Mich	a-2-6-29
1929/R 12	Widow	1650795	Mich	a-1-18-36
ADDITIONAL SERVICES:				
REMARKS: War with Spain				
Died Aug 25, 1929 at James Town, MD				

Going back to my RootsMagic file, I have several sources for the 1913 death date for Fred Doolittle. One of those sources is a record on Find a Grave. While the Find a Grave record contains links to other family members it does not include a picture of a tombstone. Thankfully, I have other sources to support the 1913 death date. One of those sources is a Michigan death certificate.

STATE OF MICHIGAN	
Department of State—Division of Vital Statistics	
PLACE OF DEATH	
County <u>Calhoun</u>	
Township <u>Tekonsha</u>	
Village or City <u>Tekonsha</u>	
FULL NAME <u>Fred Melle Doolittle</u>	
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS	
SEX <u>Male</u>	DATE OF BIRTH <u>June 27, 1893</u>
AGE <u>24</u>	DATE OF DEATH <u>Apr 22, 1913</u>
COLOR OF HAIR <u>Brown</u>	CAUSE OF DEATH <u>Stroke</u>
COLOR OF EYES <u>Blue</u>	PLACE OF BIRTH <u>Michigan</u>
COLOR OF SKIN <u>White</u>	NAME OF FATHER <u>James Doolittle</u>
OCCUPATION <u>Farmer</u>	NAME OF MOTHER <u>Nancy Wells</u>
EDUCATION <u>Common School</u>	EDUCATION <u>Common School</u>
RELIGION <u>Methodist</u>	RELIGION <u>Methodist</u>
PLACES OF RESIDENCE (For husband, indicate date, name, and address)	PLACES OF RESIDENCE (For wife, indicate date, name, and address)
<u>Tekonsha, Mich</u>	<u>Tekonsha, Mich</u>
DATE OF DEATH <u>Apr 22, 1913</u>	PLACE OF BIRTH <u>Michigan</u>
TIME OF DEATH <u>10:30 a.m.</u>	PLACE OF DEATH <u>Tekonsha, Mich</u>
PLACE OF BIRTH <u>Michigan</u>	PLACE OF DEATH <u>Tekonsha, Mich</u>

"Michigan, Death Records 1867-1952," database, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com : viewed online 27 June 2022), Fred Melle "Wells" Doolittle.

Not only does the death certificate give a 1913 death date, it identifies the parents: James Doolittle and Nancy Wells. Besides the death certificate, I was able to find an obituary for a Fred W. Doolittle in the 25 April 1913 issue of the Jackson Citizen Patriot (Jackson, Michigan).



"Fred W. Doolittle," , Jackson Citizen Patriot, (Jackson, Michigan), 25 April 1913, page 2; Public Member Story, , submitter, linked to , GenealogyBank, genealogybank.com, posted .

Based on the death certificate and obituary, I don't believe the pension record is for the same Fred W. Doolittle.

Since the death certificate and obituary are consistent with the other information I've collected on Fred, I believe he died in 1913.

Frederick Wells Doolittle 1 was born on 29 Aug 1858 in Clarendon, Calhoun, Michigan, United States. 1 – 4 He lived in Clarendon, Calhoun, Michigan, United States in 1860. 5 He lived in Clarendon Township, Calhoun, Michigan, United States on 9 Aug 1870. 6 Frederick lived in Clarendon, Calhoun, Michigan, United States in 1880. 7 He lived in Girard, Branch, Michigan, United States in 1900. 8 He lived in Tekonsha, Calhoun, Michigan, United States in 1910. 9 Frederick died on 23 Apr 1913 at the age of 54 in Tekonsha Township, Calhoun, Michigan, United States. 1 , 3 – 4 , 10 – 11 He was buried on 25 Apr 1913 at Riverside Cemetery in Tekonsha, Calhoun, Michigan, United States. 4 , 10 – 11

Frederick Wells Doolittle and Ida Adella Phelps were married on 29 Sep 1878 in Homer, Calhoun, Michigan, United States. 12 – 13 **Ida Adella Phelps** was born on 29 Sep 1860 in Tekonsha, Calhoun, Michigan, United States. She lived in Clarendon, Calhoun, Michigan, United States in 1880. 7 She lived in Girard Township, Branch, Michigan, United States in 1900. 8 Ida lived in Tekonsha, Calhoun, Michigan, United States in 1910. 9 She was buried in 1927 in Tekonsha, Calhoun, Michigan, United States. She died on 8 Jan 1927 at the age of 66 in Tekonsha, Calhoun, Michigan, United States. 14

ENDNOTES:

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2. 1870 Michigan Federal Census (: U.S. Government, 1870), Calhoun Co., MI (M593-697), page 8, line 27 [Doc, #: WELLS.MI.036].

3. Find a Grave, database and images, Find a Grave (www.findagrave.com) : viewed online 16 December 2020), memorial for Nancy Wells Doolittle (1831-1906), Find a Grave Memorial no. #51515334, created by maintained by Find a Grave, citing West Clarendon Cemetery, Clarendon, Calhoun County, Michigan; accompanying photograph by Genealogy BugKate, Nancy Wells Doolittle.
4. Find a Grave, database and images, Find a Grave (www.findagrave.com) : viewed online 27 June 2022), memorial for Fred Wells Doolittle (1858-1913), Find a Grave Memorial no. 91032796, created by Dorothy, citing Riverside Cemetery, Tekonsha, Calhoun County, Michigan; Fred Wells Doolittle.
5. 1860 U.S. Census, Calhoun County Michigan, population schedule, Clarendon, Calhoun County, Michigan, page 206, family 1366, Polly Doolittle; digital image, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com) : viewed online 27 June 2022); NARA microfilm publication M653.
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7. 1880 U.S. Census, Calhoun County Michigan, Clarendon, Calhoun County, Michigan, enumeration district (ED) ED 48, Page 1, family 3, Fred Doolittle; digital images, (: viewed online 27 June 2022).
8. 1900 U.S. Census, Branch County Michigan, population schedule, Girard Township, Branch County, Michigan, ED 13, Sheet 6A Image 11 of 26, family 138, Fred Doolittle; digital images, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com) : viewed online 27 June 2022)
9. 1910 U.S. Census, Calhoun County Michigan, Tekonsha Township, Calhoun County, Michigan, enumeration district (ED) ED 74, Sheet 1A, family 1, Fred Doolittle; digital images, (: viewed online 27 June 2022).
10. "Michigan, Death Records 1867-1952," database, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com) : viewed online 27 June 2022), Fred Melle "Wells" Doolittle.
11. "Fred W. Doolittle," , Jackson Citizen Patriot, (Jackson Citizen Patriot (Jackson, Michigan)), 25 April 1913, page 2; Public Member Story, , submitter, linked to , GenealogyBank, genealogybank.com, posted .
12. Michigan, Marriage Records, 1867-1952, Fred Wells Doolittle, 29 September 1878; digital images, Ancestry (www.ancestry.com) : viewed online 27 June 2022). Original Source: Michigan, Marriage Records, 1867-1952.
13. "Michigan, County Marriages, 1822-1940," database, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com) : viewed online 27 June 2022), Fred Wells Doolittle.
14. "Dies after Long Illness," Battle Creek Enquirer (Battle Creek, Michigan), 11 January 1927, page 15; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com) : viewed online 29 June 2022).

Pearl

Tuesday, July 12, 2022

Do you ever have trouble figuring out whether females with different surnames are the same person? That's been my struggle when researching Pearl, daughter of Frederick Doolittle and his wife Ida Phelps.

Fred Doolittle's obituary identifies the daughter as Mrs. Will Nysen.

Fred W. Doolittle
Tekonsha Man Passes Away After Several Years' Illness
[Special to The Citizen Press]

Tekonsha, Mich., April 25, — Fred W Doolittle passed away at his home on Jackson avenue, Wednesday night. He has been in poor health for a number of years, having been stricken with paralysis. The deceased was a highly respected citizen, a Mason and a member of the Woodmen lodge of this village. He was a prosperous farmer and had been a local stock buyer, being a member of the Merrifield, Proctor & Doolittle firm. He is survived by an invalid wife, two sons, Clifford and Earl, both of this place, and one daughter, **Mrs. Will Nysen**, of Coldwater and two brothers, Lester and Talbot Doolittle, all of Tekonsha. The funeral was held this afternoon, conducted by Rev. F. R. Randall, Burial in the Riverside cemetery.

"Fred W. Doolittle," , Jackson Citizen Patriot, (Jackson, Michigan), 25 April 1913, page 2; Public Member Story, , submitter, linked to , GenealogyBank, genealogybank.com, posted .

However, the name changes when Fred's wife, Ida dies in 1927. According to Ida Doolittle's obituary, she had a daughter named Mrs. Edwin Friend.

Dies after Long Illness

Mrs. Ida Doolittle Passes at Home in Tekonsha — Daughter and Two Sons Survive

Mrs. Ida Doolittle died at her home Saturday following years of invalidism. She is survived by a daughter, **Mrs. Edwin Friend**, of Pueblo, Colorado and two sons, Earle J. and Clifford E. Both of Tekonsha. Mrs. Doolittle was preceeded in death by her husband, Fred Doolittle about 10 years ago.

"Dies after Long Illness," Battle Creek Enquirer (Battle Creek, Michigan), 11 January 1927, page 15; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com) : viewed online 29 June 2022).

Based on these two obituaries, it appears that Pearl Doolittle, Pearl Nyssen and Pearl Friend are the same person. However, the FamilySearch tree does not show a second spouse for Pearl Doolittle,

Based on the 1927 obituary, I found an Edwin Friend on Find a Grave who was buried in Pueblo, Colorado. And he has a wife named Pearl. Unfortunately , Edwin Friend on FamilySearch has a wife named Pearl Yeagla.

So is Pearl Yeagle actually Pearl Doolittle? If so, can I find sources to prove it?

In 1907, Pearl Doolittle married William Henry Nyssen in Branch county, Michigan. They were divorced in 1919 in Branch county, Michigan. When I looked for a marriage record between a Pearl Doolittle or a Pearl Nyssen, I could not find one. Instead, I found a marriage record for Edwin Friend and Pearl Yeagla in Colorado which supports the Edwin Friend family on FamilySearch.

State of Colorado
Division of Vital Statistics
No. 9760
MARRIAGE RECORD REPORT

County Weld

Husband's Name Friend, Edwin Age 40 Race Unknown

Wife's Name Yeagle, Mrs. Pearl Age 36 Race Unknown

Place of Marriage Greeley, Colorado Date October 8, 1925

Name of Official who Performed Ceremony C. Rexford Raymond

Title Minister Address Greeley, Colorado

Reported by Florence R. Hines

Address Gilcrest, Colorado

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1000-5-1-25-BRADFORD-ROBINSON, DENVER

"Colorado, County Marriage Records and State Index, 1862-2006," Ancestry.com (ancestry.com : Greeley, Weld County, Colorado, viewed online (30 June 2022), Edwin Friend; Colorado Marriages, State Archives, Denver, Colorado.

Suspecting that Pearl Yeagle was Pearl Doolittle, I searched for a marriage record between Pearl and a Yeagle. So far, I haven't found such a record. However, thanks to another Ancestry user sharing an image of a newspaper clipping about the marriage of Pearl and A. L. Yeagle, I was able to locate the article which provides the link between Pearl Doolittle and Pearl Yeagle.

Mrs. Pearl Nyson daughter of Mrs. Ida Doolittle was recently married to A. L. Yeagle of Pueblo Colo. A wire from Mrs. Yeagle states they were not injured in the recent floods near the city.

"Teokonsha News," The Evening Chronicle (Marshall, Michigan), 8 June 1921, page 2; digital images, Newspaper Archives (newspaperarchive.com : viewed online 29 June 2022).

Several nice birthday presents.

Mrs. Pearl Nyson daughter of Mrs. Ida Doolittle was recently married to A. L. Yeagle of Pueblo Colo. A wire from Mrs. Yeagle states that they were not injured in the recent floods in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Abrams were

Thus, I believe that Pearl Doolittle, daughter of Fred Doolittle and his wife Ida Phelps, is also Pearl Nyssen, Pearl Yeagle and Pearl Friend.

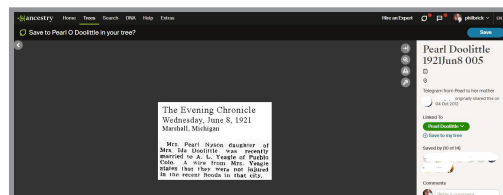
Using Trees

Wednesday, July 13, 2022

OK – I'll admit it. I use trees from other genealogists!

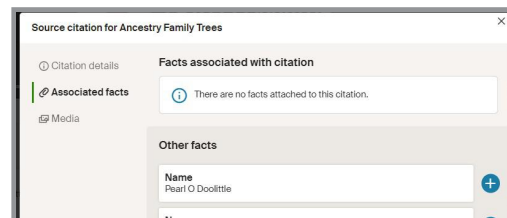
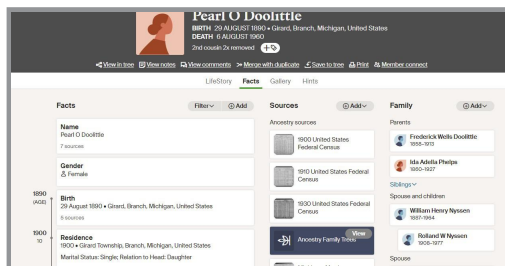
When I started my genealogy journey, it was common to share pedigree charts and family group sheets. Not only did I feel fortunate when I would receive those in the mail but I felt very fortunate that I received copies of Crawford, Currey and Briles research from other family members. These were the starting points or foundation for my research.

Granted my access to sources and my research skills have vastly improved. However, I still use the research of others. I greatly appreciate the willingness of others to share their findings. Recently, an Ancestry hint led me to a photo of a newspaper clipping that had been shared by another user.

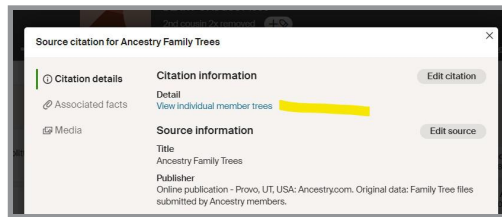


This one photo provided the information connecting Pearl Doolittle Nyson to Pearl Yeagle and enough sourcing information for me to locate the article. Since the newspaper is not on Newspapers.com, I doubt I would have found this tidbit of information on my own.

While I accept other trees when working Ancestry hints, I try not to accept any dates or add new people to my tree from those trees. This places Ancestry Family Trees in my list of Ancestry sources without linking them to any facts.



While I'm not linking these Ancestry Trees to any fact, I am saving links to these trees – and to others researching the same individual by accepting the Ancestry Tree hints. When I click on Ancestry Trees in my list of sources, the citation details provides me the ability to 'view the individual member trees'.



This is a way for me to keep track of ‘cousins’ who are researching the same people.

Even though I typically try not to use Ancestry Trees to add people to my RootsMagic file, I do use FamilySearch to add people. When researching a new branch of the family, I find it helpful to compare what I’m finding with the work of others. Since the FamilySearch tree is a collaborative tree, it represents a ‘consensus’ of other researchers. Thus, I will use the FamilySearch tree to build out a family and continue researching records for that family. By importing from FamilySearch into RootsMagic, the link between RM and FamilySearch is maintained.

If I find that my research provides conflicting information or leads to a different family, I will collect the documentation to support my position and add it as sourcing on FamilySearch. This was the case with Pearl Doolittle. When I started researching Pearl, her FamilySearch profile only had one husband: William Henry Nyssen. However there was another Pearl Yeagle married to Edwin Friend. The newspaper clipping shared on Ancestry along with other sourcing I found allowed me to merge Pearl Yeagle and Pearl Doolittle.

While other genealogists may ‘cringe’ at the use of Ancestry Trees and/or the FamilySearch tree, there are some resources that support their use.

GenealogyTV has a short video “Avoiding Mistakes on Ancestry” that discusses the use of Ancestry Trees.

And Devon Noel Lee of Family History Fanatics has a blog and accompanying video: Three Reasons Not to Use the FamilySearch Family Tree

Living?

Thursday, July 14, 2022

Have you ever encountered a situation where records disagree about whether a person is living or deceased? I have to admit that this is a first for me!

While researching descendants of Ozias Wells in Michigan records, I encountered such a situation. Because I think the individual is still living, I'm going to discuss my process and hopefully without revealing the identity of this fourth cousin.

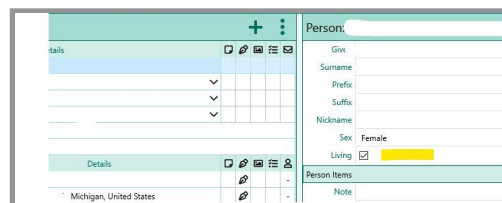
My process of researching these cousins centers around Ancestry hints. One of those hints was to a Find a Grave record that included links to his spouse and children. Thus, I started adding those pages as sources for the birth and death dates of the spouse and children.

According to Find a Grave, ChildA died in 2004. ChildA's surname on Find a Grave is that of her first husband. When I got to ChildB who died in 2019, there was a full obituary. This obituary indicated ChildA was a surviving sister but with a different surname and living in Florida.

In the process of searching for more info on ChildA, I located a Florida marriage record indicating ChildA had a second marriage. ChildA's second husband died in 2017. An obituary in Florida for the husband identifies his surviving wife and includes the surname from her first marriage. A Tennessee obituary for the second husband identifies his surviving wife as a second wife and includes her maiden name. I also located a 2008 obituary for ChildC that also listed ChildA as a surviving sister living in Florida.

Thus, I believe ChildA did not die in 2004 but was still living in 2019. Since I haven't found any death notice or obituary for her and have found an address in Florida, I think she is still living. I suggested an edit on the Find a Grave site so that the owner of the site could make the correction.

Because I had incorrectly entered a death date in my file, I also had to change the person back to LIVING in my RootsMagic file. I simply had to open the person and put a check mark in the LIVING box.

The image shows a screenshot of a genealogy software interface. On the left, there's a sidebar with a tree view and a 'Details' section showing 'Michigan, United States'. The main area on the right is titled 'Person:' and contains a form with fields for 'Given', 'Surname', 'Prefix', 'Suffix', and 'Nickname'. Below these fields, there are checkboxes for 'Sex' (Female) and 'Living' (checked). At the bottom, there's a 'Person Items' section with a 'Note' field.

Since I had used TreeShare to upload ChildA to my tree, I had to also set ChildA to living on Ancestry. I turned to Google for directions and changed ChildA to living on Ancestry.

In your tree, click on the name of the person. In the card that appears, click **Quick Edit**. Under the **Status** heading, select **Deceased** or **Living**. Changing someone's status from "deceased" to "living" will delete any information entered in that person's death fields.

May 10, 2022

<https://support.ancestry.com/article/Living-People-in-F...>

[Living People in Family Trees - Ancestry Support](#)

That left FamilySearch. I had already changed the death date from 2004 to after 2019 and uploaded sourcing to support that change. Since I've never had any 'training' on FamilySearch, I had no idea how to change someone from deceased to living. Fortunately, Google helped me find directions on the FamilySearch page, How Do I Change the Status of a Person from Deceased to Living in the FamilyTree?

If you are not the only contributor:

1. Navigate to the person page of the individual who is living.
2. Click **Details**.
3. In the **Vitals** section, next to the listed death date, select **Edit**.
4. In the box that appears, click the **circle** labeled **Living**.
5. Enter how you know the person is still alive.
6. Click **Save**.
7. Enter an explanation for the system administrator to review your request. Please provide this information:
 - Your relationship to the individual needing attention
 - How you know that the person is alive
 - If possible, the living person's current physical address
8. Click **Submit**.

Now, it is up to the administrators of FamilySearch to evaluate the information I provided and decide whether to change ChildA from deceased to living.

Friday Finds

Friday, July 15, 2022

Do you have obituary clippings in you file for non-relatives? As I'm going back thru the files created when I scanned my paper files, I am finding such clippings. Today's find is the obituary for Harold Ernest 'Jim' Wells published in the Topeka (KS) paper.

Harold Ernest 'Jim' Wells

Boise, Idaho – Memorial services will be at 10:30 a.m. today at the Alden-Waggoner Chapel in Boise, Idaho, for Harold Ernest 'Jim' Wells, 85, Boise. He died Wednesday, May 11, 1994, at a Boise nursing home.

Mr. Wells worked for the Boise Parks Department for 25 years and then he worked for the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Boise. He was an Army veteran of World War II.

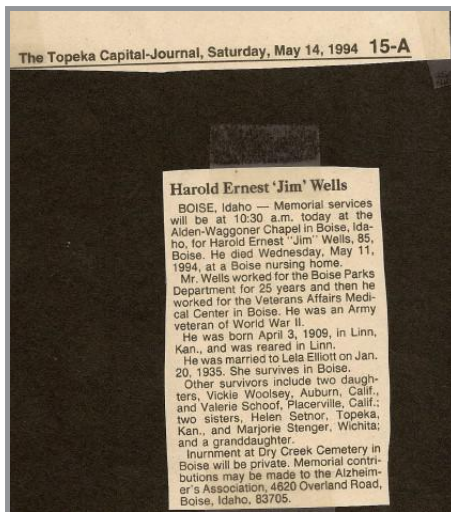
He was born April 3, 1909, in Linn, Kan., and was reared in Linn.

He was married to Lela Elliott on Jan. 20, 1935. She survives in Boise.

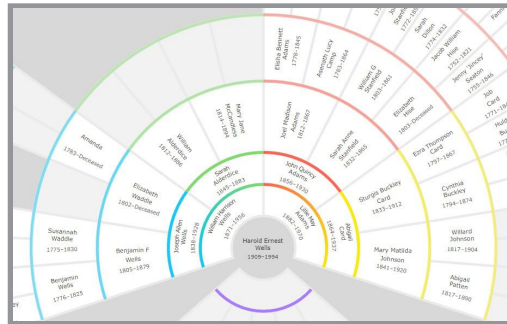
Other Survivors include two daughters, Vickie Woolsey, Auburn, Calif. and Valerie Schoof, Placerville, Calif.; two sisters, Helen Setnor, Topeka, Kan., and Marjorie Stenger, Wichita, and a granddaughter.

Inurnment at Dry Creek Cemetery in Boise will be private. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's association, 4620 Overland Road, Boise, Idaho, 83705.

The Topeka Capital-Journal (Topeka, KS) Saturday, May 14, 1994 page 15-A



Unsure as to whether, Harold Wells was a cousin, I searched for him on FamilySearch.



Even though the great-grandfather of Harold Wells is Benjamin F. Wells, it is a different Benjamin F. Wells than the one in my tree. Thus, this is a random obituary that I kept which is unrelated to my tree.

Saturday Tidbits

Saturday, July 16, 2022

1940 Draft List

Nemaha County, Kansas

Courier Tribune
December 5, 1940

Draft Order
(Official List Continued)

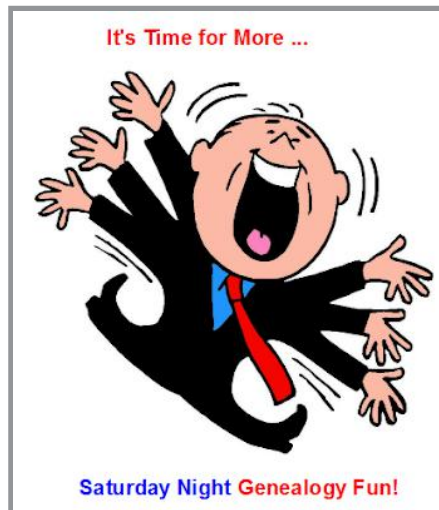
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559 Vincent Petr Broxterman
560 Benedict Joseph Olberding
561 Clarence Pratt Wohlford
562 Joseph Ferdinand Steinlage
563 Wilbur Virgil Ward
564 William James Baker
565 Garth H. Smith
566 John Peter Lotus
567 Ralph Elvin Mayer
568 Celestine Peter Aziere
569 Otis Rex Nutter
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571 Jonas Elmer Smith
572 Verne Wm. Watson
573 John Frederick Luginbill
574 Merle Edward Marti
575 John Anthony Pavlicek
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578 Edward Timothy Heinan
579 Peter John Karnowski
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581 Ernest Peter Kohake
582 Wayne Earl Hoppe
583 Albert Rees Picton
584 Albertus Edward Wassenberg
585 Leroy Edward Ruse
586 Willard Clifford Ruse
587 Joseph Henry Buessing
588 Lloyd LeRoy Niccum

589 Lawrence Holmes Brown
590 George Frederick Alley
591 Eldon Charles Snyder
592 Frank William Lichter
593 Paul Henry Lierz
594 Samuel George Gill
595 Bennie William Feek
596 Lawrence Elvin Watkins
597 Roy Clarence Lehmann
598 Russell Winifried Perry
599 Arthur John Kramer
600 Marvin Wilmer Broadbent

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

Sunday, July 17, 2022

**It's Saturday Night –
time for more Genealogy Fun!**



Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible music here) is to:

1) Do you have plans to travel to do onsite genealogy research? [Thank you to Linda Stufflebean for suggesting topics!]

Our travel plans for 2020 included three genealogy related trips. The first was to visit the St. Louis Public Library which houses the old 'lending' book collection of the National Genealogical Society. Later that spring or early summer we were going to Garrard County, Kentucky to see where my Crawford ancestors lived. After that a trip to Ashtabula County Ohio was discussed so my husband could see where his ancestors lived. Unfortunately, all of those plans were set aside when SARS-Cov2 hit.

Since my husband spent over a week in the hospital with pneumonia in 2017, we have been very reluctant to do much traveling — especially if it involved being indoors with lots of people. Thus, our trips since March 2020 have involved destinations where we could be outdoors, which fortunately has included cemeteries.

We've thrown around ideas for a trip this fall, including possibly going to Fort Wayne, Indiana to use the Allen County Public Library. I've also contemplated the Kentucky trip without spending time at Eastern Kentucky University. Since it is relatively close, The Midwest Genealogy Center in Independence Missouri is always on our list of potential trips.

Thanks to the efforts of the Topeka Genealogical Society and other societies to continue their special interest groups, I have the opportunity to participate without having to travel.

As Randy pointed out in his blog, the access to sources from my genealogy office is

amazing. When I need to access some 'locked' images on the FamilySearch site, I can travel 1/2 mile to my local library, which is a FamilySearch affiliate and access many of those images.

Unfortunately, COVID is returning and my health is beginning to also complicate the matter. Thus, our travel plans may not make it past the 'discussion' stage.

Ozias Wells Descendants

Monday, July 18, 2022

1- Ozias Wells-[KHPF-QW9]1833 (15 May 1796-5 August 1832)

+Mary Kennedy-1834 (21 February 1799-23 March 1885)

..... 2-Benjamin Franklin Wells-2828 (27 March 1819-25 December 1891)

..... +Anna Mariah Benham-4547 (about 1825-25 May 1856)

..... 3-Mary Alice Wells-4571 (about 1849-)

..... +M. G. Parker-5090 (-)

..... 4-Daniel Frank Parker-7693 (-July 1947)

..... 3-George Franklin Wells-4557 (9 November 1851-15 March 1892)

..... +Mahala May Ann Eaton-8657 (about 1853-)

..... 4-Ivena M. Wells-8658 (7 October 1878-2 March 1884)

..... 4-Lavern Lotsone Wells-18421 (20 July 1881-13 March 1932)

..... 4-_____ Wells-4931 (-)

..... 3-Clark Eugene Wells-4567 (12 July 1853-30 September 1937)

..... +Eltha L. Hyde-4929 (-7 October 1942)

..... 4-Winifred Wells-4930 (22 January 1893-5 August 1983)

..... 3-Perry Benham Wells-4564 (7 January 1856-1 March 1943)

..... +Caroline Henrietta Boyd-8638 (31 August 1857-21 June 1943)

..... 4-Glen B. Wells-8652 (1 September 1881-10 February 1956)

..... 4-Florence E. Wells-8653 (11 August 1885-29 March 1972)

..... +Malissa R. Hamilton-4794 (1822-12 June 1902)

..... 3-Clinton K. Wells-4800 (21 August 1860-10 May 1932)

..... +Lydia A. Hunter-4914 (1869-12 January 1948)

..... 4-Nellie Wells-4915 (16 October 1893-27 March 1969)

..... 3-Clayton H. Wells-4801 (21 August 1860-13 March 1931)

..... +Anna M. Henry-4909 (21 October 1864-7 October 1942)
 4-Carl B. Wells-4910 (11 October 1892-4 September 1977)
 4-Hazel Wells-4911 (October 1894-19 June 1962)
 4-Violetta M. Wells-4913 (11 June 1898-2 July 1982)
 4-Leola A. Wells-4912 (9 May 1902-28 October 1989)
 2-Thurston Kennedy Wells-1701 (26 February 1821-3 June 1893)
 +Sarah Hall-4512 (-before 1860)
 3-Francis Owen Wells-1718 (23 February 1853-19 November 1912)
 +Emma Steach-1824 (16 June 1859-24 January 1891)
 4-Pearlie L. Wells-1825 (17 February 1879-6 December 1965)
 4-Clinton Ery Wells-1826 (10 March 1883-August 1975)
 4-Etta May Wells-1827 (22 May 1885-11 April 1888)
 4-Archie Wells-1828 (14 May 1888-12 May 1978)
 +Sudie Curd-1835 (about 1868-28 December 1947)
 4-Forrest Dale Wells-1758 (23 September 1902-25 February 1975)
 3-William Hall Wells-1719 (24 August 1857-9 September 1939)
 +Mary Elizabeth Black-1815 (11 June 1861-14 March 1936)
 4-Nile Clay Wells-1816 (12 August 1883-20 March 1941)
 4-Frank James Wells-1818 (12 June 1885-14 April 1950)
 4-Dolla May Wells-1817 (3 February 1888-25 June 1967)
 4-Mary Elizabeth Wells-1819 (25 February 1890-29 January 1920)
 4-Samuel Clark Wells-1821 (30 January 1892-about 2 May 1915)
 4-Jesse Hall Wells-1820 (3 June 1894-2 June 1967)
 +Salome Adell Crandall-1702 (24 June 1836-30 August 1893)
 3-Freddie L. Wells-4580 (16 January 1862-25 September 1869)
 3-Mary A. Wells-1814 (1 January 1866-23 September 1866)

..... 3-Anna May Wells-1720 (12 June 1868-7 May 1938)

..... +John Frederick Mentzer-1721 (3 March 1871-16 May 1943)

..... 4-Hazel Adell Mentzer-1750 (19 May 1896-24 January 1985)

..... 4-Cecile Marie Mentzer-1751 (7 November 1897-28 August 1980)

..... 4-Lelia Pearl Mentzer-1748 (26 April 1899-1 October 1981)

..... 4-Marjorie Emma Mentzer-1746 (18 September 1901-8 December 1962)

..... 4-Wilfred Francis Mentzer-1745 (29 January 1903-6 May 1972)

..... 4-Harley Wells Mentzer-1752 (13 June 1904-27 March 1984)

..... 4-Mildred Mabel Mentzer-1747 (5 October 1906-12 December 1991)

..... 4-Aleta Doris Mentzer-1749 (8 June 1909-19 June 1997)

..... 3-Nettie Adell Wells-1710 (5 February 1873-9 February 1939)

..... +Charles Oliver Mentzer-1709 (1 July 1869-15 August 1955)

..... 4-Gladys Olive Mentzer-1711 (9 July 1894-2 June 1977)

..... 4-Paul Emory Mentzer-1712 (28 March 1896-14 August 1942)

..... 4-Pauline Edith Mentzer-9796 (28 March 1896-16 July 1984)

..... 4-Leslie George Mentzer-1713 (23 August 1898-19 April 1988)

..... 4-Herbert Wells Mentzer-1714 (20 July 1900-25 March 1977)

..... 2-William Wallice Wells-2066 (9 January 1823-13 May 1907)

..... +Martha B. Clark-4544 (1825-1 April 1880)

..... 3-William O. Wells-4541 (4 February 1845-25 February 1933)

..... +Ellen O. Andrews-4855 (about 1846-30 January 1911)

..... 4-Lena B. Wells-5106 (17 June 1868-)

..... 4-Preston L. Wells-5107 (7 August 1875-4 March 1944)

..... 4-Florence Wells-21759 (27 April 1883-27 December 1961)

..... 3-John M. Wells-4540 (about 1847-)

..... 3-Ida M. Wells-4566 (7 January 1851-25 April 1929)

..... +Jerome Gregory-4856 (-)
 4-Everard Gregory-4858 (25 December 1866-9 February 1945)
 4-Clara Gregory-8712 (20 March 1869-1959)
 4-Herbert Gregory-8713 (about 1879-15 September 1880)
 4-Glen E Gregory-21758 (18 January 1886-22 September 1956)
 +Lovewell Lowell Irish-21756 (9 June 1845-10 August 1917)
 +John Harmon Darrow-21757 (1850-1929)
 3-Sarah A. Wells-4562 (14 September 1856-3 May 1901)
 +James Eugene Snelgrove-4857 (7 September 1858-1 December 1930)
 4-Harry Snelgrove-8644 (January 1893-10 February 1960)
 3-Paul Wells-4519 (about 1858-)
 3-Harry Morton Wells-5108 (11 June 1863-1951)
 +Margaret Adams-21801 (1866-29 April 1929)
 4-Herbert John Wells-21803 (10 July 1885-May 1965)
 4-Veyleria B Wells-21802 (4 January 1900-18 March 1988)
 3-Kate L. Wells-5109 (8 April 1867-29 June 1882)
 2-Hannah Anne Wells-2951 (6 March 1825-1905)
 +George Talbot Perry-4797 (1824-15 November 1865)
 3-Hattie Sims Perry-9487 (1853-5 September 1918)
 +Rodolphus C. Briggs-9488 (24 October 1846-13 February 1935)
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 3-Georgia Talbot Perry-9489 (about 1858-23 June 1931)
 +Charles Button-9490 (-)
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 4-Roy Sumner Button-21816 (15 May 1889-18 September 1961)
 4-George Perry Button-21815 (23 March 1894-19 November 1970)

..... 3-Edward Sims Perry-9491 (about 1860-31 January 1864)

..... 2-Mary Jane Wells-2793 (14 January 1827-12 November 1871)

..... +Julius Humeston-4798 (-)

..... 3-Edwin Humeston-9632 (about 1846-)

..... 3-Albert Humeston-9633 (about 1849-)

..... +Nina Annette Thornber-21828 (9 December 1856-23 August 1947)

..... 4-Raymond Julius Humeston-21831 (2 November 1885-2 December 1973)

..... 4-Ralph Mail Humeston-21830 (3 June 1889-9 December 1936)

..... 4-Genevieve Ruth Humeston-21829 (26 December 1892-5 August 1974)

..... 3-Ella Humeston-9634 (about 1853-1867)

..... 3-Frank Humeston-9635 (21 April 1855-1 February 1923)

..... +Phoebe Jane Monroe-21824 (13 April 1860-9 February 1918)

..... 4-Louisa Humeston-21827 (13 July 1894-6 October 1897)

..... 4-Gladys A Humeston-21826 (12 October 1899-2 March 1972)

..... 4-Marian Grace Humeston-21825 (25 February 1902-26 December 1987)

..... 3-James Artemas Humeston-9636 (2 May 1857-30 September 1930)

..... 3-Lydia Humeston-9637 (about 1858-4 March 1882)

..... +James Cassidy Osborn-21851 (23 June 1854-29 March 1942)

..... 4-Saron Fayette Osborn-21852 (23 February 1882-2 July 1958)

..... 4-Niva Laverne Osborn-21853 (6 August 1880-8 November 1958)

..... 4-Hattie L Osborn-21854 (20 June 1878-11 November 1952)

..... 3-Louise Humeston-9638 (about 1861-18 November 1931)

..... +Warren Stone Gordis-21858 (20 February 1863-January 1956)

..... 3-Charles Humeston-9639 (22 May 1863-4 February 1936)

..... +Ella Jane Showers-12109 (about 1864-)

..... 4-Earl E Humeston-21864 (4 September 1886-17 April 1908)

..... 4-Lulu Blanche Humeston-21863 (4 September 1889-14 January 1969)

..... 4-Beatrice E Humeston-21861 (24 August 1891-30 August 1987)

..... 4-Ina Bessie Humeston-21860 (6 November 1893-12 December 1978)

..... 4-Charles Howard Humeston-21862 (February 1900-26 February 1901)

..... 2-Lucinda M. Wells-2803 (21 April 1829-2 March 1910)

..... +Henry Hall-4799 (14 March 1830-12 April 1893)

..... 3-Burdett Hall-5113 (5 March 1862-8 May 1920)

..... 3-Perry George Hall-5114 (May 1865-17 July 1923)

..... +Bertha ____-9640 (August 1868-)

..... 4-Mildred E. Hall-9642 (January 1892-)

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..... 4-Ruth A. Hall-9643 (November 1896-)

..... 4-B. Ella Hall-9644 (April 1899-)

..... 4-George P. Hall-9645 (about 1904-)

..... 3-Alfred H. Hall-5115 (9 February 1868-13 September 1925)

..... +Susan A. Powers-9646 (-)

..... 4-Chalton P. Hall-9647 (about 1915-)

..... +Bertha J. VanAllen-9648 (1 September 1866-8 September 1910)

..... 3-William A. Hall-5116 (1872-6 September 1920)

..... +Blanche Cloyes-21901 (1878-1963)

..... 4-Cloyes T Hall-21902 (12 September 1911-24 February 1985)

..... 2-Nancy Phidila Wells-2717 (8 May 1831-19 May 1906)

..... +James Augustus Doolittle-4530 (31 March 1830-2 December 1893)

..... 3-Frederick Wells Doolittle-4776 (29 August 1858-23 April 1913)

..... +Ida Adella Phelps-21846 (29 September 1860-8 January 1927)

..... 4-Clifford Wells Doolittle-21850 (6 November 1880-25 March 1975)

..... 4-Edith Lucinda Doolittle-21849 (5 April 1883-14 September 1883)

..... 4-Earl James Doolittle-21847 (12 June 1887-5 September 1954)

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..... +Eva Jane 'Jennie' Miller-21903 (21 August 1869-20 November 1918)

..... 4-James Howard Doolittle-21905 (16 July 1895-20 January 1976)

..... 4-Frank A Doolittle-21904 (30 May 1898-20 July 1980)

..... 3-Talbot James Doolittle-4779 (20 October 1871-2 September 1947)

..... +Adeline Lindsay-4780 (10 September 1876-9 July 1968)

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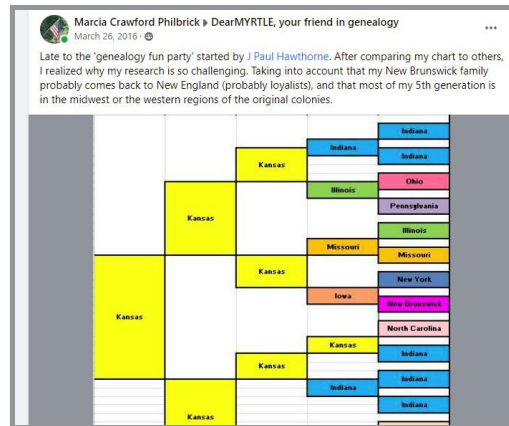
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Cause of Death

Tuesday, July 19, 2022

Do you remember #MyColorfulAncestry? By going viral this post by J. Paul Hawthorne prompted many genealogists to create similar spreadsheet charts. My chart was first posted to Facebook in March 2016.



I later included my birth and death charts as part of my DNA Heritage and Challenge blog post.

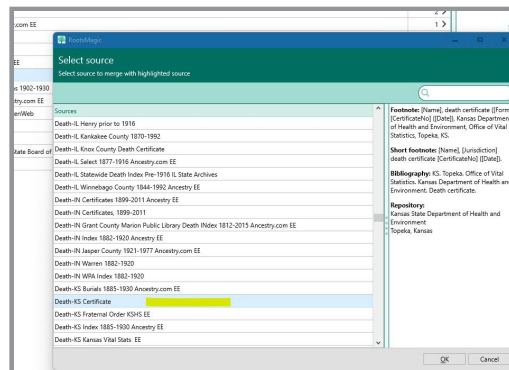
When I was recently asked about my medical history, I remembered these charts and decided to use the concept to create such a chart. Since most of my ancestors died in Kansas after 1911, I have a lot of death certificates. Thus, I have the information on hand to fill in such a chart.

In addition to the cause of death, I included the year each ancestor died and their age. Below is my dad's side of the tree.

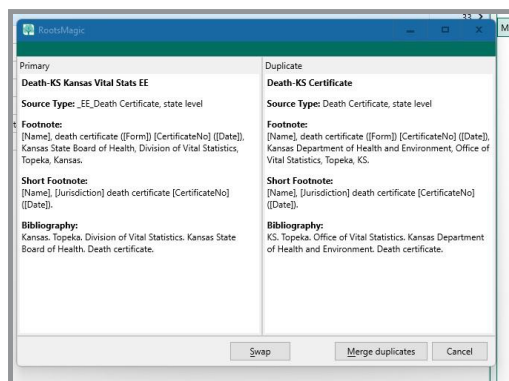
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				Died 1928 aged 87 Myo- carditis
	Died: 2006 Aged 78 Smoker High Cholesterol Aortic Aneurysm Heart by-pass surgery Prostate Cancer		Died 1954 Aged 80 Nephrosis Arterio- sclerotic heart	
				d 1892 Aged 43
				d1901 Aged 65
			Died: 1943 aged 76 Cerebral Hemorrhage	
9		Died 1992 Aged 88 Pacemaker Congestive heart failure		d1901 aged 64
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			Died 1913 aged 42 Heart disease Abdominal	
				d1892 aged 52

And my mom's side:

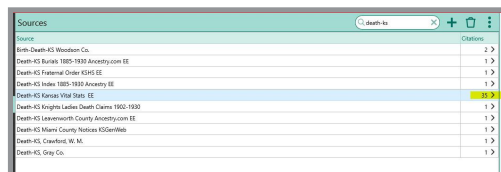
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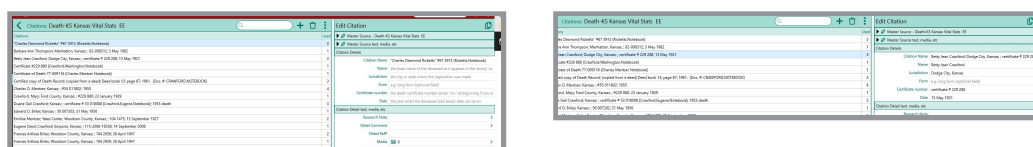
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Clicking on the > to the right of the number opens the list of citations. Clicking on a specific citation opens the citation on the right side of the screen.



A quick scan of the citations reveals a clue to which citations are blank — the word NOTEBOOK.

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Crawford, Mary Ford County, Kansas: #229 880: 23 January 1929	1
Clare Gal Crawford Kansas: certificate # 13 010888 (Crawford/Eugene/Notebook): 1933 death	3
Edward O. Brink Kansas: 16-007202: 11 May 1958	1
Eugene David Crawford Emporia, Kansas: 115-3008-16536: 14 September 2006	2
Ernie Mentzer Yates Center, Woodson County, Kansas: 104 1475: 13 September 1927	1
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Frances Arlissa Brink, Woodson County, Kansas: 104 2892: 28 April 1947	2

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George Herbert Center Township, Woodson County, Kansas: #104 48: 19 January 1912	3
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Nattie Adell Mentzer, Woodson County, Kansas: #104 2410: 9 February 1938
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Winnie L. Crawford Dodge City, Ford, Kansas: 92-002435: 17 February 1992
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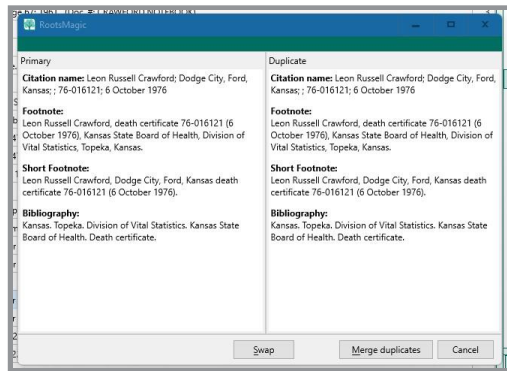
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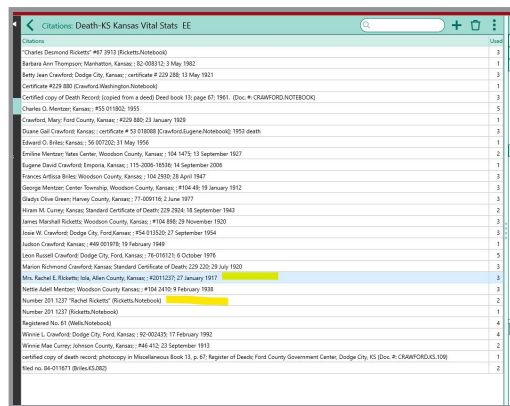
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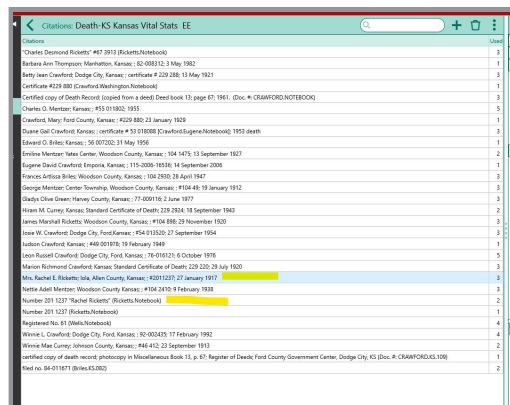


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Fortunately, I had some instances where the citation had been updated along with a citation that is missing the information.



Thus, I can merge these two citations which replaces the bad citation with the completed 'good' one.



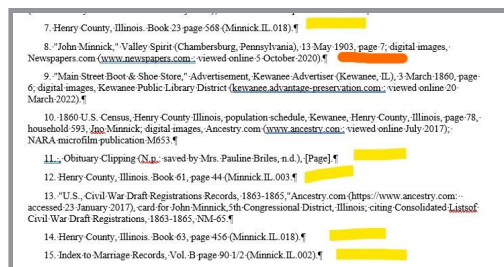
So, my little task to create a 'cause of death' spreadsheet turned into a task to also update my citations for Kansas death certificates. If I hadn't made this discovery, these incomplete citations likely would have existed in my file forever.

Why Go Over?

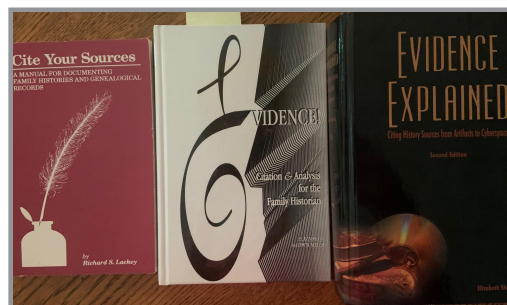
Wednesday, July 20, 2022

Several years ago, I started the 'Go Over' process first introduced by Thomas MacEntee as the Genealogy Do Over. At the time I was making the transition from The Master Genealogist to RootsMagic and have since transitioned from RootsMagic 7 to RootsMagic 8. Sometimes, I wonder why I'm spending SO MUCH TIME going back thru ancestors already in my tree versus working to add more ancestors.

While working to update a narrative report on one of my third great grandfathers, John Minnick, I realized (again) why this process is beneficial. Not only do I have some inadequate sourcing, but I also had some inaccurate information.

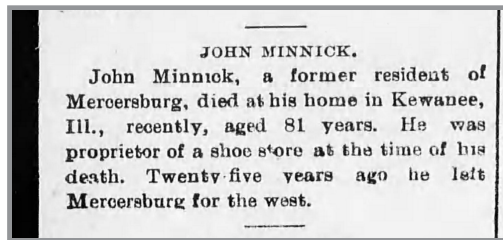


The above image also illustrates the evolution of the standards for genealogy citations. This evolution is also illustrated in the books still in my library.



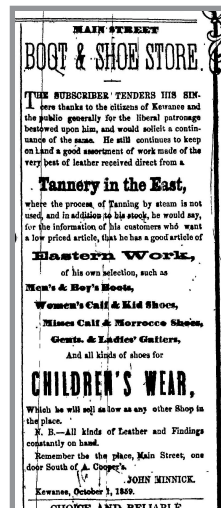
While possibly adequate at the time they were originally written, the sources highlighted in yellow are very inadequate by today's standards. Fortunately, these items are readily available as digital images on the FamilySearch site. Thus, I can not only update the citation but retrieve a digital image and add a transcription of the record as a research note attached to the citation.

As I was working my way thru the deeds (highlighted in yellow), I discovered that my 1903 death notice from the Pennsylvania newspaper did not fit with the information I was gathering from the deeds.



"John Minnick," Valley Spirit (Chambersburg, Pennsylvania), 13 May 1903, page 7; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com) : viewed online 5 October 2020).

While the death notice supports that John Minnick was a shoe salesman living in Kewanee Illinois at the time of his death, it does not support when John Minnick migrated from Pennsylvania to Illinois. Instead of making that migration around 1878, there is an 1860 advertisement for John Minnick's shoe store that indicates he had an established business in Kewanee prior to 1878. Thus, I had to delete my 1878 migration fact.



"Main Street Boot & Shoe Store," Advertisement, Kewanee Advertiser (Kewanee, IL), 3 March 1860, page 6; digital images, Kewanee Public Library District (kewanee.advantage-preservation.com) : viewed online 20 March 2022).

In addition, there is an 1856 deed for the purchase of land in Kewanee. Transcribing that deed revealed that John Minnick was a resident of Henry County at the time he purchased the land.

Know all men by these presents that I James Huchins of the County of Henry and State of Illinois for and in consideration of the sum of five hundred & fifteen dollars to be paid as follows two hundred and ninety dollars down which is now received and the ballance on the first day of April A.D. 1856 with interest at six percent according to a note has this day agreed to sell to John Minnick of the county of Henry and State of Illinois the following tract of land to wit 60 feet off from the east side of lot no 2 in block no 11 [Tenneys] ad-

dition to Kewanee Henry County Illinois together with the appurtenances thereunto belonging in Kewanee Henry County Illinois. Now provided the said John Minnick shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid to the said James Huchins at Kewanee the above sum of money at the time above named the said James Huchins firmly binds himself & heirs and executors under the penalty of one thousand & thirty dollars to convey by a good deed of warranty the above described tract of land to the said John Minnick his heirs or assigns. If however the said John Minnick shall not punctually pay the said sum at the time and place above named then the said James Huchins reserves to himself the right to ratify or confirm this agreement or not
Sealed and delivered this 7th day of June A.D. 1856
Jas Huchins (seal)

Illinois, Henry. Deeds, 1818-1912; indexes, 1836-1903. Film #Film 1434984 Items 2-4 DGS 8576152. John Minnick, 1 April 1856 Vol 23: page 568; digital images, FamilySearch <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 17 July 2022.

While going back thru my research in this manner I've also been able to switch many of my citations from citing my paper transcriptions to citing the digital records. Thus, I will continue this slow process of going over the information in my tree.

Deeds Block 11

Thursday, July 21, 2022

Do you have an ancestor that seems to buy and sell land just to move down the street a bit? That seems to be the case with John Minnick after his move from Pennsylvania to Kewanee, Illinois. In 1856, he made an agreement to purchase part of lot number 2 in block 11 of Tenney's addition to Kewanee from James Hutchins. (See post, Why Go Over for transcription of this deed.)

Then in 1857, there is a deed between James Hutchins and Elizabeth Hutchins for the sale of the same parcel of land to John Minnick.

Filed April 27, 1857

This Indenture, made this first day of April in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven, Between James Hutchins & Elizabeth Hutchins of the County of Henry and State of Illinois, partys of the first part and John Minnick of the same place party of the second part
Witnesseth that the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of **five hundred & fifteen dollars** paid by the said party of the second part (the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged)
do by these presents, grant, bargain, and sell, unto the said party of the second part by his heirs and assigns the following described tract or parcel of Land situated in town of Kewanee county of Henry and state of Illinois to wit
sixty (60) feet off of the east side of lot no 2 two in Block No 11 Eleven in Tenney addition to the town of Kewanee
with all appurtenances
Together with all and singular, the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining
to have and to hold, the said premises as above described, with the appurtenances unto the said party of the second part & his heirs and assigns forever And the said party of the first part for themselves and their heirs, executors and administrators, do hereby covenant to and with the said party of the second part of his hers and assigns, that they are well seized of the premises above conveyed as a good and indefeasible estate in Fee
Simple and have good right to sell and convey the sum in manner and form as aforesaid that they are free from all incumbrance; and that the above bargained premises, in the quiet and peaceable possession of the said party of the second part by his heirs or assigns, against the claim of all persons whomsoever, the will forever warrant and defend.
In Testimony Whereof, the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written
Signed Sealed and delivered in presence of

Julius A Pratt

Jas Hutchins (seal)

Elizabeth Hutchins (seal)

State of Illinois

Henry County

On this first day of April 1857, personally appeared before me, Julia A Pratt a Justice of the Peace

James Hutchins & Elizabeth J his wife to me personally known to be the person whose subscribed to the above Deed, as having, executed the same,

that they had freely executed the same for the use and purposes therein expressed, and Elizabeth J Hutchins wife of the said James Hutchins

to me personally known to be the person whose name is subscribed to

the same Deed, also appeared before me, and was by me made acquainted with the contents of the same and ex-

amined separate and apart from her said husband, whether she executed the said Deed, and relinquished her dow-

er to the land and tenements therein mentioned, voluntarily, freely, and without compulsion of her said husband

and acknowledged that she executed the same, and relinquished her dower in the lands and tenements therein men-

tioned, voluntarily and freely, and without the compulsion of her said husband.

Given under my hand and seal the day and year aforesaid.

Julius A. Pratt (seal)

Justice of the Peace

Illinois, Henry. Deeds, 1818-1912; indexes, 1836-1903. Film #1255568 DGS 8565932. John Minnick, 1 Apr 1857 Vol. 27: page 180; digital images, FamilySearch <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 19 July 2022.

Then, in 1861, John Minnick and his wife, Elizabeth, sold that parcel of land in lot 2 block 11 – for significantly less than he paid for it.

This Indenture, made this fifteenth day of March in the year

of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty One between

John Minnick and Elizabeth Minnick his wife

of the County of Henry and State of Illinois party of the first part and

Henry Glazier party of the second part

Witnesseth that the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of

Three Hundred & fifty Six dollars paid by the said party of the second part, (the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged,) do by these presents, Grant Bargain and Sell unto the said party of the second part, his heirs

and assigns, the following described tract or parcel of Land, situated in the County of Henry and State of Illinois, known and described as

follows to Wit:

Sixty (60) feet off the East side of Lot No Two(2) in Block No

Eleven (11) in Township first (1st) Addition to the Town of Kewanee Henry County

Illinois

Together with all and singular the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining: To have and to hold the said

premises as above described, with the appurtenances, unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever. And the said parties of the first part, for themselves and their heirs and executors and administrators, do hereby covenant to and with the said party of the second part & his heirs and assigns, that they are well seized of the premises above conveyed, as of a good and indefeasible estate, in fee simple, and have good right to sell and convey the same in manner and form as aforesaid; that they are free from all incumbrances; and that the above bargained premises in the quiet and peaceable possession of the said party of the second part & his heirs or assigns, against the claims of all persons whomsoever they will warrant and forever defend.

In Testimony Whereof, the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands, and seals,

the day and year first above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered

in presence of

Hamilton M Way

John Minnick (seal)

Elizabeth Minnick (seal)

State of Illinois

Henry County

On this Fifteenth day of March 1861 personally appeared before me

Hamilton M Way a Justice of the Peace

in and for said County John Minnick & Elizabeth Minnick his wife

to me personally known

to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the above deed, as having executed the same, and

acknowledged that they had freely executed the same for the use and purposes therein expressed

And Elizabeth Minnick

wife of the said John Minnick

to me personally known to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the same Deed, also appeared before me, and was

by me made acquainted with the contents of the same, and examined separate and apart from her said husband, whether

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she executed the said Deed, and relinquished her dower to the lands and tenements therein mentioned, voluntarily, freely

and without compulsion of her said husband; and acknowledged that she had executed the same, and relinquished her

dower in the lands and tenements therein mentioned, voluntarily and freely, and without the compulsion of her said husband.

Given under my hand and seal, the day and year aforesaid.

Hamilton M. Way JP (seal)

Like the first deed in 1856, these two deeds place John Minnick and his wife, Elizabeth, in Henry County, Illinois before the date suggested in the death notice for John Minnick published in Pennsylvania. The 1860 census for Henry County, Illinois also supports the

Jno Minnick was listed as the head of household on the 1860 census in Henry County, Illinois. According to the census, Jno was a 38 year old shoemaker who was born in Pennsylvania. Jno owned \$800 in real estate. Also listed in the household were his wife, Eliz, and Wilson, R., E., B.E., M.E., S.L. Minnick. In addition, a shoemaker, Jno Lockgrem and B. A. Merrick were listed in the household.

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Friday Finds

Friday, July 22, 2022

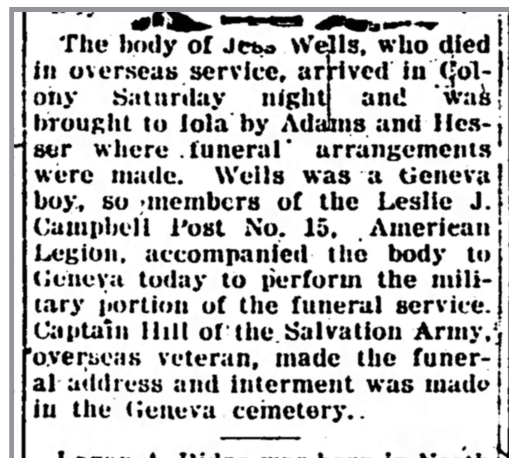
OK, I have to admit it. I have another unrelated obituary in my file. This time, it is for Jess Wells who was killed during World War I from the lola Daily Register. I do have a Jesse Wells in my tree who lived in Woodson County, Kansas and served during World War I. However, the Jesse Wells in my tree did not die in 1918. Thus, this obituary is for a different Jesse Wells.

Deaths and Funerals

The body of Jess Wells, who died in overseas service, arrived in Colony Saturday night and was brought to lola by Adams and Hesser where funeral arrangements were made. Wells was a Geneva boy, so members of the Leslie J. Campbell Post No. 15, American Legion, accompanied the body to Geneva today to perform the military portion of the funeral service. Captain Hill of the Salvation Army, overseas veteran, made the funeral address and interment was made in the Geneva cemetery.

The lola Daily Register (lola, Kansas) Tuesday evening, May 31, 1921, page 5 col. 5

I obtained the above obituary by reading microfilm at the Kansas State Historical Society. At the time, I simply transcribed the information and did not obtain a copy. Thanks to the digitization projects in Kansas, many of the lola newspapers are on Newspapers.com. Thus, I was able to locate this particular paper to get an image of the notice.



In addition, I located a notice in the 27 May 1921 issue of The lola Register regarding the return on the body of Jess Wells to Kansas

Miss Blanche Ponsler, secretary for the Allen County red Cross has notice that the body of Jess Wells, who died in France in 1917, will arrive in Geneva soon for burial. A brother, Chas. Wells, resides in Geneva, and the father lives in Henrietta, Okla. Glen Bean, Legion Post Commander, will take proper action for arranging the services when the body arrives.

The lola Register (lola, Kansas) 27 May 1921, page 3, available on Newspapers.com.

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Since the earlier notice indicated that Jess Wells died in 1917, I tried to locate a notice of his death. When I couldn't find a 1917 notice, I decided to check Find a Grave to see what it had for the death date. On Find a Grave, I found Jess Wells died in 1918. The memorial includes a transcription of a death notice from the 21 Nov 1918 issue of the *Iola Register*.

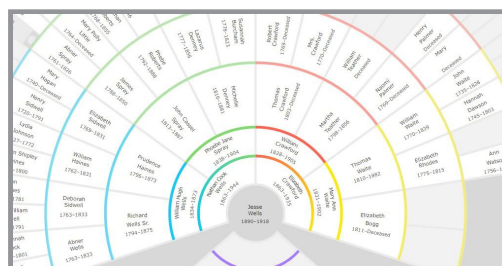
Mrs. Frank Mable received the news of the death of her brother, Jess Wells last week. He was killed in action—another soldier laid down his life for his country. Jess used to reside in this community. We extend our sympathy to his parents and sisters and brothers in their loss.

Iola Register
Nov. 21 1918

I was able to locate this death notice on Newspapers.com.

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Mrs. Frank Mable received the news of the death of her brother, Jess Wells last week. He was killed in action—another soldier laid down his life for his country. Jess used to reside in this community. We extend our sympathy to his parents and sisters and brothers in their loss.

Curious as to whether this Jess Wells was related to my WELLS research in the area of Woodson and Allen counties, I located him on FamilySearch.



Unfortunately, his tree shows no connection to my WELLS line. Thus, another unrelated obituary in my files.

Saturday Tidbits

Saturday, July 23, 2022

1940 Nemaha County Draft List

Continued

Courier Tribune (Seneca, Kansas)
December 9, 1940

Draft Order
(Official List Continued)

600 Marvin Wilmer Broadbent
601 Vincent Joseph Kohake
602 Lester Meyer
603 Bernard August Glissman
604 Earl Christian Yarger
605 Elmer Donald Cordill
606 Morris Molineux
607 Gehling John Huber
608 Charles Nelson Alley
609 Paul Marion Porter
610 August Henry Buessing
611 Leonard Herman Hammes
612 Charles Lloyd Holland
616 Galen [Bernie?] Stoldt
617 Gordon Alvis Jr
618 Francis Leroy Wesley
619 Arthur Charles Thompson
620 Clarence Hubert Hasenkamp
621 Robert Louis Rawlins
622 Urbin Charles Holsapple
623 William LaVere Stephens
624 Carroll Robert Woolsoncroft
625 George Burtiss Shaffer Jr
626 John Milford She[t]jen
627 William Eberhard Wempe
628 Edgar Evan Munsel
629 Sylvester John Heinen
630 Lawrence C Engenman
631 Donald Lee Brown
632 Albert Bernard Tanking
633 Fred Earnest Walters
634 Willard Bertram Alcorn
635 John Wenzel Sack
636 Dale Lurand Edwards
637 George William Mergenmeier
638 Clyde Henry Meacham
639 Benedict Rottinghaus
640 Charles Mathias Mueller

641 Paul Bernard Rottinghaus
642 Ernest Joseph Hutfles
643 Erwin Richard Wendt
644 Samuel Dale Fund
645 Lawrence John Swart
646 William B. Carroll
647 John Menold
648 Albert Joseph Rilinger
649 Vernon Van Cleve Houts
650 Kenneth Cloyd Wempe

Available via Seneca Free Library's Digital Archives

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

Sunday, July 24, 2022

It's Saturday Night –
time for more Genealogy Fun!

Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible music here) is to:

1) What is the best or important image or document that you have recently found online?
[Thank you to Linda Stufflebean for suggesting topics!]

Well it is early Sunday morning as I'm writing this.

While going back thru my research of Ozias Wells I've been trying to verify two statements in biographies of his son, Benjamin Franklin Wells.

His father, Oziah Wells, was a native of Massachusetts and died at Princeton, N. J., his being the first pronounced death of that malignant disease, cholera, in the United States.

Durant, Samuel W., History of Ingham and Eaton County Michigan (: , 1880), p. 492

The father was a farmer in Madison County, N. Y where he engaged in agricultural pursuit, for some years and then removed to Princeton, N. J., where he worked for an uncle as overseer in the digging of the canal.

Portrait and Biographical Album of Barry and Eaton Counties, Michigan (Chicago: Chapman Bros., 1891), p. 278-279; digital images, Archive.org, <http://www.archive.org> viewed online 22 June 2022.

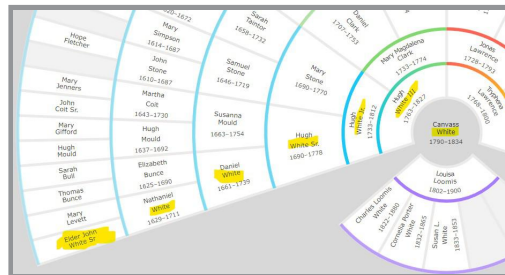
Thus, I started researching canals in New Jersey around 1832. That research led me to the Delaware and Raritan Canal and Canvass White. As I continued searching I uncovered **my best recent find**. This 'find' is a pdf document titled, Along the Delaware and Raritan Canal: A History & Resources Database. Within that 134 page document is a paragraph about Cholera that includes quotes from newspaper articles.

12-1880
Cholera: In the Princeton area, four Irish D&R Canal laborers were found dead in their shack, the latest victims of cholera. *New-York Evening News*, August 15, 1832. In 1832 a disastrous epidemic of cholera broke out among the Irish canal workers living in the shanty town, located just south of Lambertville. The disease carried off hundreds of people in the area before it ran its course. Additional outbreaks of cholera, although much less severe, occurred in Lambertville during 1849 and 1854. *Sara Gallagher, An Early History of Lambertville, McCallish & Quigley, Trenton, 1963; Lambertville Review* November 20, 1947. Two of the drivers on the canal from New Brunswick were taken down with the cholera at Kingston yesterday. We hear this morning that they are both dead, and a third is lying near the point of death. (There was an outbreak of cholera in NYC at the time.) *Princeton Whig*, June 11, 1849. In Bordentown on Friday last a lock tender on the D&R Canal, with his assistant, were taken with the cholera and both were reported to have died the same afternoon. *Academy Daily Advertiser*, July 30, 1849. It is said a stranger died with the cholera on a boat passing through New Brunswick, and which had halted on Sunday, on the D&R Canal. *New Brunswick Weekly Freeman*, August 23, 1866.

Later in the article is a biography of Canvass White.

Canvass White, (1790 - 1834), was born in Whitestown, NY and studied mathematics, surveying and engineering. He was troubled by poor health. In 1814 he organized a company of volunteers in the second War with Great Britain, was commissioned a Lieutenant, participated in the capture of Fort Erie, during which he was severely injured. In 1816 he was engaged by Benjamin Wright to assist in the final survey work along the route of the Erie Canal. Wright and later De Witt Clinton were so impressed with the enthusiasm and natural ability of the young engineer that they suggested he make a trip to England to collect information there which would help with some of the troublesome details of the Erie. This he did, at his own expense. "I have traveled 400 miles (he later covered a full 2,000 miles), passed through a number of tunnels and over several aqueducts. One aqueduct which I have examined (the Pontcysyllt) conducts a canal (the Llangollen) across the River Dee in North Wales, and consists of 19 arches of cast iron. I shall now make a tour through the North of England." *Canvass White letter to his father from Liverpool, January, 1818* He returned to the States in the Spring of 1818, with the latest surveying instruments, detailed drawings of English canal structures, and much information on the use of hydraulic cement in construction of English canal locks. It was Canvass White who solved the problem of an inexpensive supply of hydraulic cement for the Erie Canal. It was not without considerable searching and researching on the part of this young engineer for a good American natural cement that would harden under water - that led him to a deposit of stone near Chittenango, NY. When burned and pulverized, this stone produced the desired results. White obtained a patent for his new cement (valid in 1820) and a cement processing plant was set up, under the supervision of his brother Hugh White, to produce this much needed material for the locks, aqueducts and bridge foundations for the Erie Canal, and later - many others. As work on the Erie progressed, Canvass White became the chief expert in designing its locks and other appurtenances, which earned him the title of "Principal Engineer." Before the Erie was complete, White was approached by a number of other canal companies to assist them in their planning and design work. He became a consultant on the Schuylkill Navigation, the Farmington Canal, the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal, and was, for a time, Chief Engineer on the Union Canal, the D&R Canal, and the Lehigh Canal respectively. Ill health often interfered with his canal projects, and he finally retired to Florida, where he died at the untimely age of forty-four - a few months before the D&R Canal, his last project, was completed - a great loss to the canal builders of the early Nineteenth Century. *American Society of Civil Engineers Biographical Dictionary & Engineers in England: A History of American Canal Engineering* Canvass White, the chief engineer of the D&R Canal was titled "History's Greatest Canal Engineer" by C.P. Yoder in an article he wrote for the Pennsylvania Canal Society *Canal Currents* issue #10, Fall, 1969. Canvass White's grave is in the Princeton Borough cemetery, on Greenville Avenue, and a plaque was placed there by the Canal Society of New Jersey as the wording on his grave was nearly illegible. Note: The Canal Society of New Jersey traveled over the Pontcysyllt Aqueduct on several of their trips to England and Wales from 1973 to 2005, most led by Capt. Bill McKelvey.

Since Ozias' mother was Abigail WHITE, I was intrigued about a possible relationship between Ozias Wells and Canvass White. Curious about a possible relationship, I looked up Canvass White on FamilySearch and found that he descends from Elder John White.



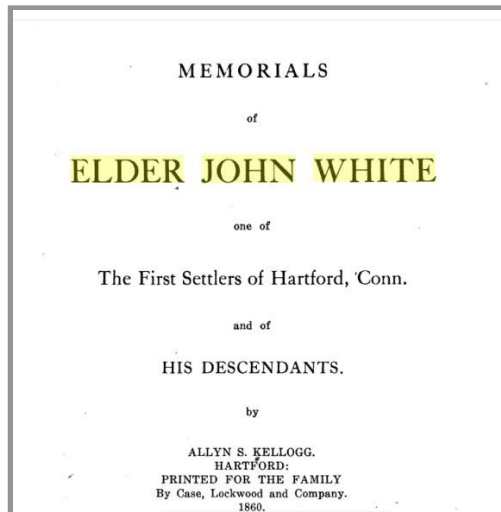
When I looked up Abigail White, Ozias Wells' mother, I found that FamilySearch has her lineage also going back to Elder John White.



And this led to another wonderful find this morning: Canvass White in the book, *Memorials of Elder John White one of The First Settlers of Hartford, Conn. and of His Descendants* by Allyn S. Kellogg. (on Google Books and Archive.org)

300. **Canvass White**, son of Hugh, Jun., (150) was born in Whitestown, N. Y., Sept. 8, 1790. He served one campaign on the frontier, in the war of 1812, as Lieutenant in a corps of volunteers, and was at the sortie of Fort Erie. He was one of the earliest and ablest Engineers on the Erie Canal, and while engaged on this, resided principally in Troy, N. Y. He subsequently resided in Reading and Bethlehem, Pa., and in Princeton, N. J., while engaged on the Union, Lehigh, and Delaware and Raritan Canals. He died at St. Augustine, Florida, whither he had gone in pursuit of health, Dec. 18, 1834, æ. 44.

He married, 1820, **Louisa Loomis** of Lowville, Lewis Co., N. Y. She now resides with her daughter, in Bethlehem, Pa.



And there on pages 70 and 71, I find my ancestor, Oliver White and his daughter, Abigail who married Green Wells.

44. Oliver White, son of John, (16) was born in Hatley, and lived there south of Ralphs Lane. He died June 28, 1789, æ. perhaps 65.
He married first, Feb. 17, 1752, Elizabeth Cherter, who died, June 29, 1752.
He married, 2nd, 1755, (pub. Jan. 18,) Abigail Selden, who survived him.

Children:—By the First Marriage.
1. A Son, b. June 6, 1752; d. Aug. 15, 1752.

Children:—By Second Marriage.
2. Oliver, b. Dec. 19, 1755; m. ——— (100)
3. Elizabeth, b. Nov. 29, 1757; m. Phineas, Clark, of Easthampton, Mass., who d. Feb. 15, 1817, æ. 57. She d. March 25, 1847, æ. 89. She had, 1. Submit, b. Oct. 7, 1781, m. Johnathan Parsons; 2. Elihu, b. July 6, 1783, was living in Lee, Mass., 1855; 3. Sylvester, b. Feb. 9, 1785, d. in the State of New York; 4. Salome, b. Sept. 17, 1786, m. Rufus Smith, of South Hadley and Worthington; 5. Lucinda, b. June 10, 1788, m. Justin Cook, jun.; 6. Silence, b. March 10, 1790, m. Dea. Asa. Marvle; 7. Paulina, b. Jan. 5, 1792; 8. Elizabeth, b. Oct. 5, 1793, m. Dea. Elisha King; 9. Erastus, b. July 19, 1795; 10. Lydia, b. Feb. 1797, m. Medad King,

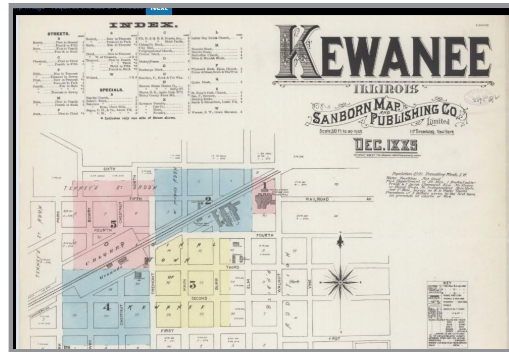
Descendants of Nathaniel White 71
Jun.; 11. Amanda, b. July 19, 1799, m. Morris Parsons; 12. Persis, b. April 1, 1802, d. June 26, 1803.
4. Moses, b. Dec. 3, 1759; m. Chloe Peck. - - - - (101)
5. Jerusha, b. March 5, 1762; m. Aug., 1781, Seth Kellogg.
6. Eunice, b. March 18, 1764; m. March 2, 1784, George Wells. They removed to New York, or Vt., about 1800.
7. Elihu, b. March 8, 1766; d. March 27, 1766.
8. Esther, b. April 2, 1768; m. Jan. 1, 1789, William Ingram, who rem. to N. Y. The following children were bap. in Hadley: 1. Oliver, and 2. Experience, bap. Sept. 30, 1792; 3. Quartus, bap. Nov. 24, 1793; 4. Charles, bap. Jan. 29, 1797.
9. Abigail, b. Sept. 24, 1770; m. Feb. 11, 1789, Green Wells of Mapletown, and rem. to Vt., or N. Y.

Although I'm still looking for more information about Ozias' work on the canal and his death, finding the list of resources for the Delaware and Rariton Canal helped me unearth this White Genealogy.

Deeds Block 23

Monday, July 25, 2022

Having sold his land in block 11, John Minnick now moves to block 23. Fortunately, Sanborn maps help place these parcels of land within the town. Below is an 1885 Sanborn map for Kewanee.



In May of 1862, John Minnick purchases lot number 8 in block number 23 of Kewanee.

This Indenture made this 20th day of May in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred

and sixty two Between W H Blish, Hannah Blish, Chas c Blish, Elizabeth P Blish of the County of Henry and State of Illinois and Thomas Blish Wealthy A Blish & George C Blish of the County of Jo Davies and State aforesaid by heir attorney Charles C Blish of the first part and John Minnick of the County of Henry and Sate of Illinois of the second part. Witnesseth that the said parties of the first part for and in consideration of the s *um of one*

hundred and fifty dollars lawful money of he United States of America to them in hand paid

by the said party of the second part, the receipt of which is being acknowledged do by these

presents grants bargain and sell unto the said party of the second part his heirs and

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assigns a certain tract or parcel of land described as follows to wit

Lot No Eight (8) in Block No

Twenty Three (23) in the Town of Kewanee in the county of Henry and State of Illinois.

Together with

all and singular the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining

to have and to hold the said premises as above described with the appurtenances unto the said party of the

second part his heirs and assigns forever. And the said Grantors for themselves & their heirs executors

and administrators do hereby execute to and with the said party of the second part his heirs and

assigns that they are lawfully seized of the above granted premises in fee simple and have good

to sell and convey the same in manner and form aforesaid, and that they are free from all

incum-
-brances and the said grantors for themselves heirs executors and administrators the
above bargained
premises in the quit and peaceable possession of the said party of the second part his
heirs and assigns
against all and every person or persons lawfully claiming or to claim the whole or any part
thereof
shall and will warrant and forever Defend
In witness whereof the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and
seals the day
and year first above written
Signed sealed and delivered
in presence of
J. A. Pratt

Wm H Blish (seal)
Hannah Blish (seal)
Charles C Blish (seal)
Elizabeth P Blish (seal)
Thomas Blish (seal)
Wealthy A Blish (seal)
George C Blish (seal)
By their attorney Charles C Blish

State of Illinois
Henry County
I, Julius A Pratt Police Magistrate of the town of Kewanee in the said
County do certify that on this day personally appeared before me Wm H Blish & Chas C
Blish
and Chas C Blish as Attorney for Thomas Blish, Wealthy A Blish & George C Blish whose
names appear subscribed to the foregoing Deed of Conveyance as having executed the
same
who are personally known to me to be the persons in whose names the acknowledgment
is proposed
to be made and acknowledged the execution as their voluntary act and deed fro the uses
and purposes therein expressed
Ad Hannah Blish and Elizabeth P Blish wives of the said Wm H Blish and Chas C
Blish having been by me made acquainted with the contents of said Deed and by me
examined
separate and apart from the said husbands, whether they had executed the same and
relinquished
their dower to the lands and tenements therein mentioned acknowledged that they had
done
so voluntarily and freely, and without compulsion of their said husband and do not seek to
retract
Given under my hand and seal of Office at Kewanee this 20th day of May AD 1862
Julius A Pratt (Seal)

Illinois, Henry. Deeds, 1818-1912; indexes, 1836-1903. Film #1255581 Items 2-4 DGS
8565922. John Minnick, 20 May 1862 v 61: page 44; digital images, FamilySearch
<http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 17 July 2022.

Then in October of 1863, John Minnick purchases lot number 9 in block 23.

This Indenture, made this twenty fourth day of October
in the year of our Lord, One thousand Eight Hundred and sixty three between George
Blackstock
and Esther Blackstock his wife
of the County of Henry and State of Illinois party of the first part, and John Minnick
of the same place party of the second part,
Witnesseth, that the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the ***sum of four
hundred and
fifteen dollars*** paid by the said party of the second part, (the
receipt of which is hereby acknowledged,) Do by these presents, grant bargain and sell
unto the said party of the second part,
his heirs and assigns, the following described tract or parcel of land, situated in the
county of Henry and State of
Illinois, known and described as follows, to wit:
***Lot number nine (9) in Block Number
Twenty three (23) in the town of Kewanee Henry county Illinois***
Together with all and singular the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging
or in anywise appertaining; and the
said party of the first part hereby expressly waive and release any and all right, benefit,
privilege, advantage and exemption
under or by virtue of any and all Statutes of the State of Illinois providing for the
exemption of homesteads from sale on execu-
tion or otherwise, especially under the act entitled "An Act to exempt Homesteads from
sale on execution," passed by the
General Assembly of the State of Illinois, A.D. 1851, and approved February 11, A.D.
1851, and an act entitled "An Act to
amend 'An Act to exempt Homesteads from sale on execution,'" passed by said
Assembly A.D. 1857, and approved February 17,

1857 To Have and To Hold the said premises as above described, with the
appurtenances, unto the said party of the
second part, his heirs and assigns forever. And the said party of the first part, for them
and
their heirs, executors and administrators, do hereby covenant, to and with the said party
of the second part,
estate in fee simple, and ha good right to sell and convey the same in manner and form
as aforesaid; that they are free from all
incumbrances; and that the above bargained premises in the quiet and peaceable
possession of the said party of the second part,
his heirs or assigns, against the claim of all persons whomsoever, they will warrant and
forever defend.

In Testimony whereof, the said party of the first part have hereunto set their hands and
seals the day and
year first above written.
George Blackstock (seal)
Esther Blackstock (seal)

State of Illinois
Henry County

On this 24th day of October A.D. 1863 personally appeared before me

J. R. Preston a Notary Public in and for said County
Geo Blackstock & Esther Blackstock to me personally known to be the
persons whose names are subscribed to the above Deed, as having executed the same,
and acknowledged that they had freely
executed the same for the uses and purposes therein expressed; and expressly waived
and released all right, claim, benefit, privilege,
advantage and exemption under any and all Homestead Exemption Laws, so called. And
Esther Blackstock
wife of the said Geo Blackstock
to me personally known to be the person whose name is subscribed to the same Deed,
also appeared before me, and was by me made
acquainted with the contents of the same, and also her right under the Homestead law of
this State, and examined separate and apart
from her said husband, whether she executed the said Deed, and relinquished her
dower to the lands and tenements therein mentioned,
voluntarily, freely and without compulsion of her said husband; and acknowledged that
she had executed the same, and relinquished her
dower to the lands and tenements therein mentioned, voluntarily and freely, and
expressly waived and released all right, claim, benefit
privilege, advantage and exemption under any and all Homestead Exemption Laws, so
called, without the compulsion of her said husband.
Given under my hand and Notarial seal the day and year aforesaid
James R Preston (seal)
Notary Public

Filed for record the 8 day of Dec 1865 at 4 o'clock P.M.

Illinois, Henry. Deeds, 1818-1912; indexes, 1836-1903. Film #1255582 Item 1 DGS
8565928. John Minnick, 24 Oct 1863 V 63: page 456; digital images, FamilySearch
<http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 17 July 2022.

Then in 1867, John and his wife, Elizabeth, sell lot nine in block 23

Revenue Stamps
to the amount of
\$.50
on this instrument

This Indenture, made this fourth day of June
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Sixty Seven between
John Minnick [A] and Elizabeth Minnick his wife
of the first part and
Jacob Smith
of the second part
Witnesseth, that the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the ***sum of
four hundred dollars***
in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby
acknowledged, has granted, bargained and sold, and by
these presents do grant bargain and sell, unto the said party of the second part, his heirs
and assigns, all of the following described
lot, piece or parcel of land, situated in Kewanee, in the County of Henry
and State of Illinois, to wit:

Lot number nine (9) in block number twenty three (23) in the town of Kewanee Henry County Illinois

Together with all and singular the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in anywise appertaining, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents,

issues and profits thereof; and all the estate, rite, title, interest, claim and demand whatsoever of the said party of the first part, either in law or equity of, in and to the above bargained

premises, with the hereditaments and appurtenances; To Have and to Hold the said premises above bargained and described, with the appurtenances, unto the said party of the second party

his heirs and assigns Forever. And the said John Minnick and Elizabeth Minnick his wife parties of the

first part, hereby expressly waive, release and relinquish unto said party of the second part, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, all right, title, claim, interest

and benefit whatever in and to the above described premises, and each and every part thereof, which is given by or results from all laws of this State pertaining to the exemption of homesteads

And the said John Minnick and Elizabeth Minnick his wife party of the first part, for their heirs, executors and administrators, do covenant, grant, bargain and agree, to and with the said party of the second part

heirs and assigns, that at the time of the ensealing and delivery of these presents, they are well seized of the premises above conveyed, as of a good, sure, perfect

absolute and indefeasible estate of inheritance in law, and in fee simple, and have good right, full power and lawful authority to grant, bargain, sell and convey the same in manner and form

aforesaid, and that the same are free and clear from all former and other grants, bargains, sales, liens, taxes, assessments and encumbrances, of what kind or nature soever, and the above bar-

gained premises, in the quiet and peaceable possession of the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, against all and every person or persons lawfully claiming or to claim the whole or any part thereof, the said party of the first part shall and will warrant and forever defend.

In testimony whereof,, the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

John Minnick (seal)

Elizabeth Minnick (seal)

State of Illinois

Henry County

I, Erastus Austin, a Justice of the peace

in and for said County, in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that John Minnick and Elizabeth Minnick

personally known to me as the same persons whose names are subscribed to the annexed Deed, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged

that they signed and delivered the said instrument in writing as their free and voluntary act, for the uses and purposes herein set forth.

And the said Elizabeth Minnick

wife of the said John Minnick

having been by me examined, separate and apart, and out of the hearing of her husband, and the

contents and meaning of the said instrument of writing having been by me fully made

known and explained to her and she also by me being fully informed of
her rights under the Homestead Laws of this state, acknowledged that she had freely and
voluntarily executed the same and relinquished her dower to the
land and tenements therein mentioned, and also all her rights and advantages under and
by virtue of all Laws of this State relating to the Exemption of Homesteads,
Given under my hand and my seal, this fourth day of June A.D. 1867
Erasmus Austion (SS)
Justice of the Peace

Illinois, Henry. Deeds, 1818-1912; indexes, 1836-1903. Film #1255589 item 2, DGS
8566959. John Minnick, 4 Jun 1867 vol. 85: page 13; digital images, FamilySearch
<http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 17 July 2022.

Block 23 Land Sold

Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Do you ever use deeds to confirm a second wife? In John Minnick's case, his sale of land in Henry County, Illinois does support his having two wives. His first wife, Elizabeth, is indentified when John and Elizabeth sell land in block 2 of lot 11 in Kewanee which John had previously purchased from James Hutchins and his wife, Elizabeth. (See post Deeds Block 11)

In 1876 and 1879, John again sells land. This time, his wife is identified as Phebe. This is consistent with the death of Elizabeth Minnick in 1869 and John's remarriage to Phebe Tripp in 1870. The first deed, in 1876, was for lot 8 in block 23 of Kewanee.

This Indenture Witnesseth, that the grantor
John Minnick and Phebia Minnick his wife
of the town of Kewanee in the County of Henry and State of Illinois for
and in consideration of one thousand dollars
in hand paid, covey and warrant to Stephen M. Hurd
of the town of Kewanee County of Henry and State of Illinois
all interest in the following described real estate, to-wit

Lot number eight (8) in block
number twenty three (23) in the town of Kewanee

situated in the County of Henry in the State of Illinois, hereby releasing and waiving all
rights under and by
virtue of the Homestead Exemption Laws of this state
Dated this Tenth day of February A.D. 1876
Witness
Wm Hamilton

John Minnick (seal)
Mrs Phebe M Minnick (Seal)

State of Illinois
County of Henry
I, William Hamilton, a Justice of the Peace
in and for the said County in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that
John Minnick and Phebe M. Minnick his wife
personally known to me to be the same person whose names are subscribed to the
foregoing instrument appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that they
signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument
as their free and voluntary act, for the uses and purposes therein set forth, including the
release and
waiver of the right of Homestead.
given under my hand and seal, this tenth
day of February AD. 1876
William Hamilton (seal)
Justice of the Peace

Filed for Record this 18th day of February 1876, at 4 P.M.

Illinois, Henry. Deeds, 1818-1912; indexes, 1836-1903. Film #1255602 Item 2. John Minnick, 10 Feb 1876 Vol. 134: page 199; digital images, FamilySearch <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 17 July 2022.

Then in 1879, John and Phebe sell land in block 22.

This Indenture Witnesseth, that the Grantors John Minnick and Phebe M Minnick his wife of the town (now village) of Kewanee County of Henry and State of Illinois for in hand paid, convey and warrant to Louisa Winter of the Town of Ne[fronset] County of Bureau and State of Illinois all interest in the following described real estate, to with: the west twenty five (25) feet of the east fifty (50) feet of lot number ten (10) in Block number twenty two (22) original town of Kewanee, also the middle one third (1/3) of the East half of the North half of lot number nine (9) in Block number twenty two in the original town of Kewanee situated in the County of Henry in the State of Illinois, hereby releasing and waiving all rights under and by virtue of the Homestead Exemption Laws of this State Dated this Ninth (9th) day of January A.D. 1879

John Minnick (seal)
Phebe M Minnick (seal)

State of Illinois
County of Henry
I, William Hamilton a Justice of the Peace in and for the said County, in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that John Minnick and Phebe M Minnick his wife who are each personally known to me to be the same persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person, and acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument, as their free and voluntary act, for the uses and purposes therein set forth, including the release and waiver of the right of homestead. Given under my hand and seal, this Ninth (9th) day of January A.D. 1879
William Hamilton
Justice of the Peace

Filed for record this 1st day of March 1880 at 1 P.M.

Illinois, Henry. Deeds, 1818-1912; indexes, 1836-1903. Film #1435921 DGS 8576157. John Minnice, 9 Jan 1979 Vol 147: page 295; digital images, FamilySearch <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 17 July 2022.

While not definitive proof of a second marriage, these deeds support John Minnick being married to a Phebe.

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The Probate Court of the County of Franklin State of Illinois

of the County of Franklin State of Illinois do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original as the same appears in the records of the Court.

Witness my hand and seal of office at Springfield this 10th day of March 1907.

Attest:

John H. Smith
Clerk of Court

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Clerk of Court

STATE OF ILLINOIS

County of Franklin

Know all men by these presents, that John H. Smith of the County of Franklin State of Illinois do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original as the same appears in the records of the Court.

Witness my hand and seal of office at Springfield this 10th day of March 1907.

Attest:

John H. Smith
Clerk of Court

John H. Smith
Clerk of Court

Filed for Record this 10th day of March 1907.

Dear Randy,

Wednesday, July 27, 2022

Do you have a genealogy mentor?

My first genealogy mentor was Ruth Keys Clark. Ruth was the 'tour guide' for research trips to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City. These trips were sponsored by the Kansas Council of Genealogists. Ruth's leadership on the two trips I took got me more involved in genealogy organizations.

As computers and the Internet became widely available my involvement in genealogy organizations and my actual time to do research took a back seat to my job implementing all of those computers and the Internet into our local high school.

When retirement approached, I knew that I wanted to pick up my genealogy research. By that time, Facebook and Twitter had become the dominant social media platforms – and genealogists were active on both. Thus, I started friending/following other genealogists and joining the various genealogy groups. While I have not personally met the vast majority of these new 'friends', they have helped me grow my genealogy skills. Thus, this world of genealogy 'friends' have become my mentors.

Currently, one of those Facebook friends is becoming a mentor in a way outside of genealogy. I've been following Randy Seaver thru his blog, Genea-Musings and as a guest on the Mondays with Myrt video chat with DearMyrtle for quite some time. Randy has shared his love of Padres baseball and his love for Linda, his daughters and his grandchildren thru his blog and his Facebook posts.

However, it is Randy's posts about his heart troubles that I am particularly grateful for. All of his Facebook 'friends' were able to follow along as he learned that he needed various tests of his heart, including an angiogram and then ultimately the need for bypass surgery. Those posts have continued as Randy recovered from his surgery and is now in his post-op recovery stage at home.

Those posts have become important to me because I appear to be walking a similar path. I had a stress test of my heart about two weeks ago. When this post is published, I will be having an angiogram to see what may be wrong with my heart. I'm praying that my following Randy's mentorship stops at that point. Even if it doesn't, Randy has proven to be a good role model for walking this particular path.

THANK YOU RANDY!

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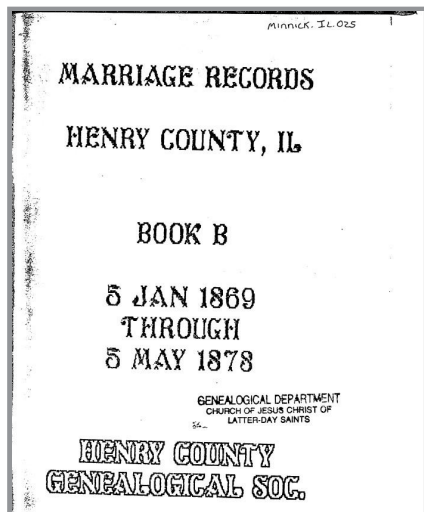
Thursday, July 28, 2022

Do you remember genealogy research before the days of the Internet and digital images? As I'm going thru my (old) sources for John Minnick, I encountered a couple of citations to some of those 'old' sources. These 'old' sources are either handwritten notes or photocopies from books. Yes, we used to use books!

As I was reviewing my old citations, I found both transcriptions and photocopies. The transcription is notes taken from LDS microfilm #1435942.

	1435942	Henry Co. IL	
		Index to marriages, marriage records, 1837-1878	
		Author: Henry Co. IL County Clerk	
pp 67	Minnick Edith M	July 31 1900	
	Silas E. Clark		
pp 67	Minnick Gilbert A	May 16 1885	110
	Susan E. Patterson	Vol. 1 #2091	
pp 68	Minnick John	Mar 1 1870	6698
	Phebe Tripp	Vol. B 90 1/2	

The photocopy is from the book, Marriage Records Henry County, IL Book B 5 Jan 1869 through 5 May 1878.



Since these Henry County Illinois marriage records have been digitized and made available on the FamilySearch site, I can not only recheck the index but also locate the marriage records.

INDEX TO MARRIAGES—HENRY COUNTY									
FEMALE	GIVEN NAME	SURNAME	MALE	DATE OF MARRIAGE		VOL.	PAGE	MARRIAGE NUMBER	MARRIAGE DATE
				MO.	DAY				
Minnick	Anna		Edward A. Stone	JAN	15	1859	B	22	
Minnick	Barbara A.		J. F. Kessel	JAN	10	1861	A	3	
Minnick	Barbara E.		Oliver H. Pyle	APR	12	1870	B	160	
Minnick	Charles H.		Eliza Howard Loomis	OCT	29	1875	B	280	
Minnick	Elia M.		Joe B. Dugan	SEPT	16	1886	A	166	
Minnick	Ellen		George Switzer	JAN	1	1888	A	312	
Minnick	John		Charles W. Burdette	MAY	18	1872	B	85	
Minnick	Mary		Andrew Donaldson	JUNE	24	1856	B	8945	

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FEMALE	GIVEN NAME	SURNAME	MALE	DATE OF MARRIAGE		VOL.	PAGE	MARRIAGE NUMBER	MARRIAGE DATE
				MO.	DAY				
Minnick	John		Phoebe Tripp	MAY	1	1870	B	298	
Minnick	William A.		Angeline M. Bartlett	SEP	28	1868	A	685	
Minnick	William J.		Elia Thompson	SEP	10	1869	B	280	
Minnick	William E. Rice		Julia E. Rice	SEP	27	1869	A	184	
Minnick	William E. Rice		Mary A. Rice	MAY	28	1868	A	68	
Minnick	William E. Rice		Mary A. Rice	MAY	28	1868	A	68	

When I recorded my old handwritten notes, I recorded a volume number and a page number for each license. In reality, the page number is NOT given. Instead the index has the license number. As I located each of these marriage records, I discovered that these license numbers start over for each year. Thus, I could browse thru Volume B on film 1435944 to locate the year and then the license number.

Following this process, I was able to locate the marriage license for John Minnick and his second wife, Phebe Tripp.

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Friday Find

Friday, July 29, 2022

I found another unrelated WELLS obituary in my files that I don't believe connects to my tree.

FATAL INJURY
TO A PUMPER
Oil Field Worker Struck
by Crowbar
Reached the Brain
Heavy Instrument Crushed
Right Temple

Clarence Wells Died in a Motor
Car as It Passed East Iola on
Way to Hospital

Clarence Wells, aged about 35, a drilling rig workman employed on an oil lease near Neosho Falls, died late yesterday evening in an automobile in which he was being taken to St. John's hospital for surgical treatment. As the motor car passed through East Iola Wells' life flickered out. Dr. Hering of Leroy was accompanying the patient in the hope of reaching the hospital in time to resort to heroic surgical measures as a final effort to save the man's life.

Mr. Wells was struck in the right temple by a crowbar. The heavy iron had crushed in the skull and penetrated the brain.

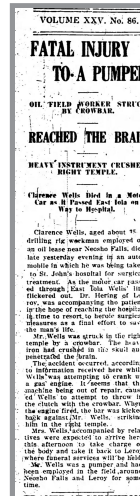
The accident occurred according to information received here while Wells was attempting to crank up a gas engine. It seems that the machine being out of repair, caused Wells to attempt to throw in the clutch with the crowbar. When the engine fired, the bar was kicked back against Mr. Wells, striking him in the right temple.

Mrs. Wells, accompanied by relatives were expected to arrive here this afternoon to take charge of the body and take it back to Leroy where funeral services will be held.

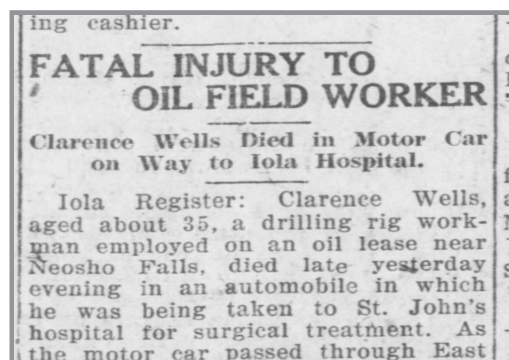
Mr. Wells was a pumper and had been employed in the field around Neosho Falls and Leroy for some time.

The Iola Daily Register (Iola, Kansas) Wednesday Evening, May 8, 1922, page 1 column 1.

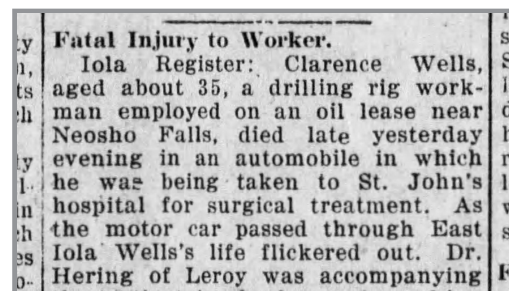
Since I transcribed this death notice from newspaper microfilm at the Kansas State Historical Society, I did not obtain an image of the article. However, I was able to find this article and several copies of it on Newspapers.com.



This Iola Register article was also published in the Chanute Daily Tribune and the Chanute Weekly Tribune.



Chanute Daily Tribune (Chanute, Kansas) 9 March 1922, page 5. available on Newspapers.com



Chanute Weekly Tribune (Chanute, KS) 10 March 1922, page 1. available on Newspapers.com

An abbreviated version of the article was also published in The Coffeyville Daily Journal and The Fredonia Daily Herald.

there is no such thing as luck.

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Clarence Wells, 35, a drilling rig workman employed on an oil lease near Neosho Falls, was fatally injured Tuesday evening, when he attempted to crank a gas engine. He was using a crowbar to throw in the clutch, when the engine backfired, the crowbar striking him in the right temple. He died in an auto while being taken to a hospital at Iola. His home was at Leroy.

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The Coffeyville Daily Journal (Coffeyville, Kansas) 10 March 1922, page 4. available on Newspapers.com

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The Fredonia Daily Herald (Fredonia, Kansas) 10 March 1922, page 1. available on Newspapers.com

While trying to figure out whether Clarence Wells was related to my WELLS line, I was only able to find a memorial for him on Find a Grave. I have not been able to locate this Clarence Wells on an Ancestry Tree or on FamilySearch. Nor, have I been able to locate him in the 1920 census in Coffey or any adjoining county in Kansas. Thus, it is a mystery who Clarence's family is.

Saturday Tidbits

Saturday, July 30, 2022

1940 Nemaha County Draft List

Continued

Courier Tribune
December 9, 1940

Draft Order
(Official List Continued)

651 Milan Edward Strahm
652 Harold Wayne Hodges
653 Kenneth Morris McBratney
654 Jack Eberly Noble
655 John Willis Slocum
656 Earl Samuel Bennett
657 Nathan William Grimm
658 Donald Emerson Cordon
659 Frederick Merle Whaner
660 Louis W Meyer
661 Raymond Albert Hasenkamp
662 George Bernard Hunninghake
663 Ralph William Robinson
664 Virgil Everett Nightingale
665 Robert John Mitchell
666 Raymond Joseph Olberding
667 George Arlie Kuykendall Jr
668 Benedict Ferdinand Steinlage
669 Phillo Fredrick Metzger
670 Hubert Charles Huerter
671 Paul Henry Heideman
672 Everette Kyle Noble
673 Rubard Francis Moorhead
674 Ian Robert Wisslor
675 Silverius Nicholas Schmitz
676 Virgil Milton Ralston
677 George Donald White
678 Albert Henry Meyer
679 Marvin Dwight Johnson
680 Floyd Henry most
681 James Frazier Lawrence Jr
682 Russell Frederick Allen
683 Gale William King
684 Edwin Henry Holthaus
685 Fred William Meyer
686 Walter Roland Gabbert
687 Lyle William Myrick
688 Lawrence John Shump

689 William Hubert Dandliker
690 Raymond Roy Ruse
691 Lawrence Burton Labbe
692 Lawrence John Holthaus
693 Joseph William Koch
694 Chester Amos Kinsey
695 Jacob John Heinen
696 Keith Alton Gregsby
697 Theodore J. Thompson
698 Homer Kenneth Burns
699 John Allen Shetlar
700 Reuben Edelman

Available via Seneca Free Library's Digital Archives

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

Sunday, July 31, 2022

It's Saturday Night –

time for more Genealogy Fun!

Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible music here) is to:

1) Who is your current favorite ancestor to research and why? [Thank you to Linda Stufflebean for suggesting topics!]



Who is my favorite ancestor to research?

Why, JAMES CRAWFORD, of course!

The word cloud created by the categories I assign to my blog posts gives away the fact that I have written much more about my CRAWFORD research than any other topic.

One might ask, which JAMES CRAWFORD? and I would have to reply any/all of the five who seem to get 'tangled up' with each other in early Kentucky.

- Rev. James Crawford of Lexington, KY
- James and wife, Sarah VanZandt of Fleming County, KY
- James and wife, Rebecca Anderson on Garrard County, KY and Jefferson County, IN
- James and wife Martha Knight of Garrard County, KY, Preble County OH and Warren County, IN
- and then there's my line: James and wife Sally Smith Duggins or Garrard County, KY and Preble County OH

See my 'Untangling James Crawford' page for more information on these five lines.

So why is James Crawford my favorite?

- First, Crawford is my dad's line
- Second, it is challenging!
- Third, I've always hoped to find a revolutionary war soldier in this line.

While I haven't done much Crawford research in the past few months, that research will be my primary focus when I achieve my 2022 goals.

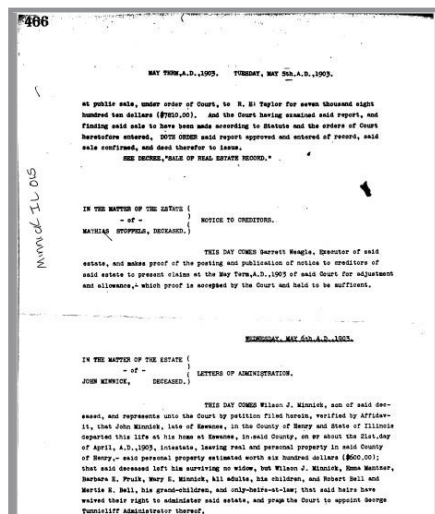
Letters of Administration

Monday, August 01, 2022

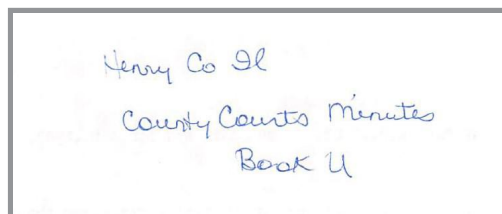
As I'm been going over the information I have in my file for a 3rd great grandparent, John Minnick, I've been dealing with incomplete citations. One of those citations was not only incomplete but also inaccurate!

23. Entry Probate Record, Estate of John Minnick, County Courts Minute Book U (Minnick, IL.015).
Hereinafter cited as Probate Record.

The notation, Minnick, IL.015, is my 'index' to my files. Thus, I was able to locate the document I used to create this citation. The document in question was a photocopy of page 466 and 467 from a court minute book.



On the back of the document, I had written some 'source' information.



Unfortunately, page 466 is not in Volume U of the Henry County Minute Books. Fortunately, the indexes and minute books are available on FamilySearch. Thus, I was able to recheck the index to the Minutes

Index to Probate Records, A-R, p. 1-473 1892-
Film 1443453 Item 4 DGS 7656909

Image 493 – start of Item 4
Index to Estate Papers
Image 655 – Start of 'M'

Image 663
Minnick John Estate
S 467, 515
T 3
U 171, 176, 187, 275

This allowed me to not only locate the record I had photocopied but also to locate the entire set of minutes regarding the estate of John Minnick.

The set of minutes that I had photocopied contains a list of surviving heirs:

- Wilson J. Minnick
- Emma Mantzer (Mentzer)
- Barbara E. Fruik (Frink)
- Mary E. Minnick
- Grandchildren: Robert Bell and Mertie E. Bell

While this particular set of minutes helps me document the family, there is additional information in the other minutes that provide additional information about John Minnick. According to the inventory, John Minnick's estate included real estate valued at \$1700.00. This means that John Minnick owned real estate at the time of his death — and — that I need to locate a deed for the transfer of the land after his death.

Thus, I'm thankful that I searched for and obtained all of the minutes.

Book S page 466
Image 497

Wednesday, May 6th A.D. 1903

In the Matter of the Estate
of
John Minnick, Deceased

Letters of Administration

THIS DAY COMES Wilson J. Minnick, son of said deceased, and represents unto the Court by petition filed herein, verified by Affidavit, that John Minnick, late of Kewanee, in the County of Henry and State of Illinois departed this life at his home at Kewanee, in said County, on or about the 21st day of April, A.D., 1903, intestate, leaving real and personal property in said County of Henry, - said personal property estimated worth six hundred dollars (\$600.00); that said deceased left him surviving no widow, but Wilson J. Minnick, Emma Mantzer, Barbara E. Fruik, Mary E. Minnick, All adults, his children, and Robert Bell and Mertie E. Bell, his grand-children, and only-heirs-at-law; that said heirs have waived their right to administer said estate, and prays the Court to appoint George Tunnicliff Administrator thereof, AND THE COURT HAVING HEARD said petition, and being now fully advised in the premises, DOETH ORDER the prayer of said petition granted, and George Tunnicliffe appointed Administrator thereof; and that as such Administrator he give Bond with security, as the law directs, in the penal sum of one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1200.00). AND NOW AFTERWARDS, and on this day comes said George Tunnicliffe, and pre-

sents to the Court his bond as such Administrator, as required, signed and sealed by himself as principal and by Prank O. Lowe and Will C. Palmer as sureties. And said Bond is approved by the Court and ORDERED entered of record.

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AND ROW COMES SAID George Tunnicliffe end presents to the Court his Oath Of Office as such Administrator, as required by Statute.

WHEREUPON, IT IS ORDERED by the Court that Letters of Administration now issue to said George Tunnicliffe as Administrator of the estate of John Minnick, deceased.

Illinois, Henry County. Minutes, 1844-1923. Film #1443443 Items 2-3; DGS 7656919. John Minnick, 6 May 1903 Book S: page 466-467; Digitized images, FamilySearch <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 21 July 2022.

Later in volume S is the set of minutes listing the Inventory.

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June Term, A.D. 1903 Friday, June 19th, A.D., 1903

In the Matter of the Estate
of
John Minnick, Deceased

Inventory

This day comes George Tunnicliffe, Administrator of said estate, and presents to the Court an Inventory of said estate, showing real estate valued at one thousand seven hundred dollars (\$1700.00); insurance, three hundred sixty seven dollars (\$367.00); stock, six hundred ten dollars (\$610.00); notes and accounts, ten dollars (\$10.00). And the court having examined said inventory, DOTH ORDER the same approved and entered of record.

Illinois, Henry County. Minutes, 1844-1923. Film #1443443 item 2; DGS 7656919. John Minnick, 19 Jun 1903 Vol. S: page 515; Digitized images, FamilySearch <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 21 July 2022.

Then in Book T, there is a list of claims against the estate.

Book T page 3 image 590

September Term, A.D. 1903 Monday September 7th, 1903

In the Matter of the Estate
of
John Minnick, Deceased

Notice to Creditors, Claims

THIS DAY comes George Tunnicliff, administrator of said estate, and makes due proof of the posting and publication of Notice to Creditors of said estate to present claims at the September term, A.D.: 1903, of said

Court,
for adjustment and allowance, – which proof is accepted by the Court and held to be sufficient. And thereupon the following claims were presented for allowance against said estate; and said claims being proven to be just and unpaid, it is ordered by the Court that the same be allowed, classified and paid as follows, viz: –
W. C. Palmer — 1st class — \$104.00
Charles Myers – 7th class – 14.00
Dr. F. O. Lowe – 7th class – 21.00

Illinois, Henry County. Minutes, 1844-1923. Film #1443443 item 3 DGS 7656919. John Minnick, 7 Sep 1903 Vol. T: page 3; Digitized images, FamilySearch <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 21 July 2022.

In volume U, the sale of the personal property was approved.

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In the Matter of the Estate
of
John Minnick, deceased

Sale of Personal Property

And now on this day comes
George Tunnicliffe, administrator of the estate of said deceased, and presents to the Court a
petition, praying that the court order that certain personal property of the deceased therein mentioned be sold at private sale. And it appearing to the Court that the inventory of the personal estate of said deceased has been heretofore filed and approved in this Court,
the Court proceeds to consider and petition. And it appearing to the court from the allegations in said petition contained and from satisfactory evidence, that it is necessary for the proper administration of said estate that said property be sold, that none of said property is reserved to the widow or included in specific legacies and bequests, and it further appearing that it will be to the interest of said estate that the property named in said petition be sold at private sale, it is therefore ordered that said administrator, as aforesaid, proceed to sell at private sale upon the best terms possible, eight shares of Stock in the Union Building and Loan Association of Kewanee, Illinois

* It is further ordered that said property be sold at a price not less than six hundred eighty one dollars and seventy six cents (\$681.76)

* And it is further ordered that said sale be for cash, and that as soon after making said sale as possible the said administrator make due report to this Court of his acts under this order, as required by law.

* And it is further ordered that said petition be filed and recorded.

T. H. Chesley,

County Judge

Dated at Cambridge, Illinois, this 14th day of June, A.D. 1905 *

Illinois, Henry County. Minutes, 1844-1923. Film #144344 DGS 7656918. John Minnick, 14 Jun 1905 Vol. U: page 171; Digitized images, FamilySearch <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 21 July 2022.

The "Final Report" is on page 176 and 177 of volume U.

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June Term, A.D. 1905 Monday, June 19th, A.D. 1905

Wednesday, June 21st A.D. 1905

In the Matter of the Estate
of
John Minnick, Deceased

Final Report

This Day Comes George Tunnicliffe, administrator of said estate, and presents to the Court a final report of his acts and doings, as such administrator, and prays the Court for an order of distribution of the funds remaining in his hands belonging to the estate of said deceased.

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June Term, A.D. 1905 Wednesday, June 21st, A.D. 1905

Whereupon the Court doth order that hearing on said report be set for Monday, the 3rd day of July, A.D. 1905; that the Clerk give notice thereof to the heirs at law and legatees of said deceased, as required by statute, and that said cause be continued to that day and date.

Illinois, Henry County. Minutes, 1844-1923. Film #144344 DGS 7656918. John Minnick, 21 Jul 2022 Vol. U: page 176-177; Digitized images, FamilySearch <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 21 July 2022.

Then in July 1905, the Order of Distribution was approved.

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July Term, A.D. 1905 Monday, July 3rd, A.D. 1905

In the Matter of the Estate
of
John Minnick, Deceased

Final Report. Order of Distribution

This day comes on for hearing the matter of the final report, heretofore filed herein, of George Tunnicliffe, as administrator of said estate, said report being from June 16th, 1903 to June 19th, A.D. 1905, showing amount received, then hundred seventy three and 75/100 dollars (\$1073.75); amount paid out

two hundred eleven and 50/100 dollars (\$211.50), leaving a balance due said estate of eight hundred sixty two and 25/100 dollars (\$862.25). And now comes said administrator and represents unto the Court that he has performed all the duties of his office according to law; complied with all the orders of the Court relating thereto; disbursed to the persons entitled thereto all assets which have come to his hands belonging to the estate of said deceased, except said balance of eight hundred sixty two and 25/100 dollars (\$862.25); paid all claims allowed against said estate, and costs taxed therein, and prays the Court for an order of distribution of said balance to the heirs of said deceased, And it appearing that the heirs at law of said deceased have been duly served with notice of the filing of said report, and time set for hearing the same, and the Court having examined said report, and being now fully advised in the premises, doth approve and report and order it entered of record; and distribution of said balance to the heirs at law of said deceased, as prayed.

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July Term, A.D. 1905 Monday July 3rd, A.D. 1905

Sherrard & Poppleton – 7th class – \$16.58
Farmer's Nat'l Bank, of Cambridge, Ills, – 7th * 103.00
A. R. Ammerman – 7th * .70
P. A. Johnson, 7th * 4.81
E. C. Burke, 7th * 1.00
1st Nat'l Bank of Cambridge, Ills, 7th * 133.30
Johnson & Record, 7th * 6.10
William Morris, 7th * 12.50
Amos Gault, 7th * 50.00
John H. Seaton, 7th * 2.35
Frank Hollard, 7th 15.20
International Harvester Co., of America, 7th * 54.90

Illinois, Henry County. Minutes, 1844-1923. Film #144344 DGS 7656918. Jhn Minnick, 3 Jul 1905 Vol. U: page 187-188; Digitized images, FamilySearch <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 21 July 2022.

In September 1905, the court discharges the administrator and the estate was settled and closed.

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September Term, 1905 Thursday, September 13th A.D. 1905

In the Matter of the Estate
of
John Minnick, Deceased

Final Report, Discharge of Administrator

This day comes George Tunnicliffe,
administrator of said estate, and presents to the Court a report of distribution of the funds remaining in his hands belonging to the estate of said deceased, to the heirs at law of said deceased, in accordance with the orders of the Court heretofore entered,

amounting
to eight hundred sixty two and 25/100 dollars (\$862.25), and prays to be discharged from
further accounting or liability herein. And the Court, having examined said report, and
being now fully advised in the premises, doth approve said report and order it entered of
record; said administrator and his bondsmen discharged from further accounting or
liability
herein, and said estate hold to be settled and closed.

Illinois, Henry County. Minutes, 1844-1923. Film #144344 DGS 7656918. John Minnick,
13 Sep 1905 Vol. U: page 275; Digitized images, FamilySearch
<http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 21 July 2022.

John Minnick

Tuesday, August 02, 2022

John Minnick 1 was born on 22 Jun 1822 in Carlisle, Cumberland, Pennsylvania, United States. 2 – 4

He married Elizabeth Mary Jones on 28 Oct 1843 in Carlisle, Cumberland, Pennsylvania, United States. 3 – 4

He lived in Montgomery Township, Franklin, Pennsylvania, United States on 1 Oct 1850. 5

He purchased land being 60 feet off from East side lot 2 block 11 _____'s Addition to Kewanee from James Huchins for \$190 down toward purchase cost of \$515 with 6% interest on balance on 7 Apr 1856 in Henry, Illinois, United States. 3 , 6

John purchased land being sixty (60) feet off of the east side of lot no 2 two in Block on 1 Apr 1857 in Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois. 7

In 1860 he ran Main Street Boot and Shoe Store in Kewanee, Henry, Illinois, United States. 8

He lived in Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois on 13 Jun 1860. 9

John sold land being 60 feet off East side lot 2 block 11 in Fenney's first addition to the town of Kewanee to Henry Glazin for \$356 on 9 Sep 1861 in Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois. 10

He purchased land being lot 8 in block 23 for \$150 from W. N. Blish, Hannah Blish, Chas C. Blish, Elizabeth P. Blish of Henry County Illinois and Thomas Blish, Wealthy A. Blish and George C. Blish of Jo Davies County Illinois on 20 May 1862 in Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois. 11

In Jun 1863 he was a shoe saler in the Fifth Congressional District in Illinois, United States. 12

John purchased land being lot 9 block 23 Kewanee from George Blackstock and Esther his wife for \$415 on 24 Oct 1863 in Henry, Illinois, United States. 13

He sold land land being lot 9 block 23 Kewanee to Jacob Smith for \$400 on 4 Jun 1867 . 14

He married Phebe Tripp on 1 Mar 1870 in Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois. 15 – 19

He lived in Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois on 27 Aug 1870. 20

John sold land being lot number eight (8) in block 23 in the town of Kewanee on 10 Feb 1876 in Henry, Illinois, United States. 21

He worked with boots and shoes in Henry, Illinois, United States. 22

He was Methodist. 22

John sold land land being the West 25 ft of East 50 feet of lot 10 block 22 Kewanee and also the middle 1/3 of E 1/2 N1/2 lot 9 block 22 to Louisa Winter for \$1150 on 18 Jan 1879 in Henry, Illinois, United States. 23

He lived in Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois on 11 Jun 1880. 24

He lived in Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois on 1 Jun 1900. 25

John died on 21 Apr 1903 at the age of 80 in Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois. 2 – 3 , 26 – 29

He was buried on 23 Apr 1903 at Kewanee Cemetery in Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois. 2 , 28

George Tunnicliffe filed for an administrator's bond for John Minnick's estate on 30 Apr 1903 in Henry, Illinois, United States. 30 He had an administrator appointed for his estate on 6 May 1903 in Henry, Illinois, United States. 31 He had an inventory filed for his probate on 19 Jun 1903 in Henry, Illinois, United States. 32 A list of claims was submitted for John Minnick's estate on 7 Sep 1903 in Henry, Illinois, United States. 33 John Minnick's estate had the sale of his personal property approved on 14 Jun 1905 in Henry, Illinois, United States. 34 The final report was filed on John Minnick's estate on 19 Jun 1905 in Henry, Illinois, United States. 35 An order of distribution was approved for John Minnick's estate on 3 Jul 1905 in Henry, Illinois, United States. 36 The administrator for John Minnick's estate was dismissed on 13 Sep 1905 in Henry, Illinois, United States. 37

First Wife

Elizabeth Mary Jones 1 , 39 , daughter of Henry Jones and Catherine Bovey, was born about 1816 in Pennsylvania, United States. 40

She married John Minnick on 28 Oct 1843 in Carlisle, Cumberland, Pennsylvania, United States. 3 – 4

She lived in Montgomery Township, Franklin, Pennsylvania, United States on 1 Oct 1850. 5

She lived in Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois on 13 Jun 1860. 41

Elizabeth died on 20 Jul 1869 at the age of 53 in Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois. 3 , 28 , 40 , 42 – 43

She was buried at Kewanee Cemetery in Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois. 28 , 40 , 44

2nd Wife

Phebe Tripp 18 lived in Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois on 27 Aug 1870. 20

She lived in Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois on 11 Jun 1880. 24

She died on 1 Nov 1889 in Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois. 45

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Mineral Rights

Wednesday, August 03, 2022

Have you worked with deeds for mineral rights? Although I've heard of deeds for mineral rights, particularly oil and gas, I don't remember actually working with one. Since most of my tree is farmers, they were buying and selling land for agricultural use.

As I'm starting to research my third great-grandfather, Ozias Wells, I've encountered a deed where Ozias Wells and John Kennedy purchase the rights to gypsum or plaister on a parcel of land.

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This indenture made the ninth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty five between Robert Montgomery of Sullivan in in the count of Madison and sate of New York of the first part and John Kennedy and Ozias Wells of Sullivan aforesaid of the second part Witnesseth that the party of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars current money of the United States

of America to him in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged and confesed Hath sold bargained aliened and leases and by these pressure doth sell bargain alien and have

unto the parties of the second part their heirs executors administrators and assigns one equal undivided

sixth part of all the gypsum or plaister that can be discovered as found on the whole or any part

of all that certain piece or parcel of land consisting of thirty acres and being the north part of the second

fifty acre lot in this subdivision of lot number forty in said town of Sullivan which said fifty acre

lots are set off from and and parallel to the west line of said lot number forty which said pice

or parcel of land was conveyed to John Lewis who a certain deed bearing date the twenty second day of

February one thousand eight hundred and fourteen executed by Ira M Olds and Phebe Olds his wife

and also one equal undivided sixth part of all the Gypsum or plaister that can be found or discovered on the whole or any part of all that certain piece or parcel of land containing about

seventy five and being a part of the East half of lot number thirty five on the two mile strip in

the late Oneida reservation which said last mentioned piece of land was conveyed to robert

Stuart by deed executed by James Pickert bearing date the twenty seventh day of June one

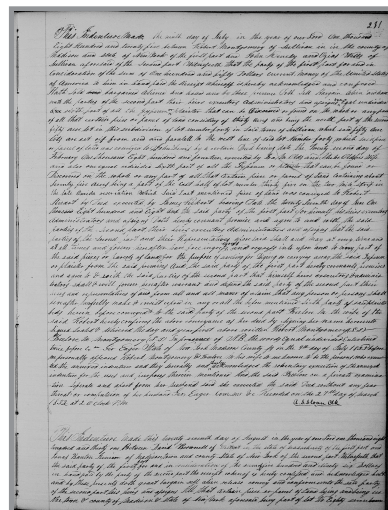
thousand eight hundred and eight and the said part of the first part for himself his heirs executors

administrators and assigns doth hereby covenant promise and agree to and with the said parties of the second part their heirs executors administrators and assigns that the said at all times and forever hereafter have free ingress access and regress into upon and to

any part of
the said pieces or parcels of land for the purpose of searching for digging or carrying away
the said Gypsum
or plaister from the said premises And the said party of the first part hereby covenants
promises
and agree to & with the said parties of the second part that himself heirs executors &
adminis
trators shall & will forever hereafter warrant and defend the said party of the second part
their
heirs and representatives of and from all and all maner of claim that any person or
persons shall
hereafter lawfully make & insist upon in any or all the before mentioned sixth pary of said
plaister
beds herein before conveyed to the said party of the second part Freelove M the wife of
the
said Robert hereby confirms the above conveyance as her deed by signing her name
hereunto
Signed sealed & delivered the day and year first above written Robert Montgomery (SS)
Freelove M Montgomery (SS) In presence of N. B. the words equal undivided & interlined
twice before ex – Geo Eager State of New York Madison County on the 9th day of July
1825 before
me personally appeared Robert Montgomery & Freelove M his wife tome known to be the
persons who execut
ted the annexed indenture and they severally and duly acknowledged the voluntary
execution of the annexed
indenture for the uses and purposes therein mentioned and the said Freelove on a
private examina
tion sepearte and apart from her husband said she executed the said deed without any
fear
threat or compulsion of her husband Geo Eager Commr bc Recorded on the 27th day of
march
1832 at 2 o'clock P.M.
A. S.Sloan Clk

The above deed is the only one I've found (so far) for Ozias Wells in Madison County,
New York.

Since John Kennedy could be Ozias' father-in-law or a brother-in-law, I need to also do
KENNEDY research in Madison County.



The Big Ditch

Thursday, August 04, 2022

Do you have facts in your family tree that over time your mind has misconstrued? That's my case with Ozias Wells. For some reason, I assumed that when a source said that Ozias " *worked for an uncle digging a canal*" it was referring to the Erie Canal. Since Ozias was born about 1795, he would have been old enough to work on the Erie Canal which traversed Madison County, NY. (See Map)

However, going back thru the sources I've collected for Ozias and carefully reading the information, I discovered that Ozias went to **Princeton, New Jersey** to undertake digging a canal. After realizing that the canal was in New Jersey and not New York, I did some 'digging' and discovered that the charter for the Delaware and Raritan Canal was approved by the New Jersey legislature in 1830.

The idea for the Delaware and Raritan canal had been around for quite a few years prior to the creation of the charter. At the time, the canal allowed for travel from Bordentown, NJ to New Brunswick, NJ in 2 days versus a trip via the Atlantic Ocean taking 2 weeks. Since this was a major route between Philadelphia and New York City, the canal (and railroad built at same time) greatly improved the ability to travel between these two cities.

As I was researching the Delaware and Raritan Canal – or the Big Ditch – I found that there was an epidemic of Asiatic cholera that swept thru the workers in 1832. This epidemic killed hundreds of workers in 1832-1833 and may have been the cause of Ozias' death in August 1832.

While I haven't figured out the identity of the 'uncle' that Ozias worked for, I discovered that Ozias' fourth cousin, Canvass White was the chief engineer for the Big Ditch. Canvass White had previously worked on the Erie Canal where he recruited Irish workers.

When Ozias died in 1832, he left a wife and young family. Since Ozias was listed on the 1830 census in New York and New York is given for the birth location of his children, it is possible that the family stayed in New York while Ozias worked in New Jersey.

Ozias' Children [Ozias Wells on FamilySearch – KHPF-QW9]

- Benjamin Franklin Wells – born 1819 – thus 13 at the time of his father's death
- Thurston Kennedy Wells – born 1821 – thus 11 at the time of his father's death
- William Wallace Wells – born 1823 – thus 9 at the time of his father's death
- Hannah Anne Wells – born 1825 – thus 7 at the time of her father's death
- Mary Jane Wells – born 1827 – thus 5 at the time of her father's death
- Lucinda M. Wells – born 1829 – thus 3 at the time of her father's death
- Nancy Phidila Wells – born 1831 – thus 1 at the time of her father's death



The Big Ditch – <https://www.flickr.com/photos/dougtone/6348904197/>

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Friday Finds

Friday, August 05, 2022

Obituary of Emeline Minnick Mentzer



Died – Mentzer

Emaline Minnick was born near Pittsburg, Pa., Aug 26, 1848, at which place she spent her childhood in the home of her parents, John and Mary Minnick. at the age of 12 years her parents with their five daughters and one son moved to Kewanee, Ill., where she attend the public schools and grew to young womanhood.

On New Year's day, 1868, she was united in marriage to George Mentzer, living in Kewanee until the pioneer spirit brought them to the state of Kansas where they located on the Mentzer homestead in West Center township in May, 1872. On this place she resided until Feb., 1914, when she moved to Yates Center, where she died Tuesday evening Sept. 13, 1927, at the age of 79 years and 17 days.

To this union 8 children were born and grew to manhood and womanhood. On son, Albert C., in 1919, and one daughter, Susie M. Tunncliffe, in 1908 and her husband in 1912, having preceded her in death.

She was raised in a Christian home and early in life she was converted, uniting with the M. E. church in Kewanee, Ill., and later transferring her membership to Peasant View M.E. church in Woodson county, Kansas, and later to Yates Center, of which church she was a faithful member up to her death. She was one of the truly great Christian characters, who lived each day in faith an humility. Although her last days were spent in suffering, she lived in beautiful resignation and patience.

She leaves to mourn her passing, her sons, C. O., of Neosho Falls, Kansas; J. F., H. A., P. E. and E. E. of Yates Center, and one daughter, Mrs. Clara E. Williams, of Yates, Center, Kansas, and 38 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Ellen Frink of Shenandoah, Iowa, besides other friends and relatives.

Funeral services were held in her memory at the M.E. church, Thursday afternoon, conducted by her pastor, Rev. A. W. Johnson, assisted by the Rev. J. E. Latimer. The pall bearers were six of her grandsons. The body was laid to rest in the family lot by the side of her husband.

Thus passes away another of the early pioneers of Woodson county.

Died – Mentzer,” undated clipping, 1927, from unidentified newspaper; Crawford Family Papers, saved by Pauline Briles and passed down to Marcia Philbrick; privately held 2021 by Marcia Crawford Philbrick, 803 N. 8th, Seneca, KS 66538. likely from Yates Center newspaper

Saturday Tidbits

Saturday, August 06, 2022

1940 Draft Roll – Nemaha County, Kansas

Courier Tribune

December 12, 1940

Draft Order

(Official List Continued)

700 Reuben Edelman
701 Lawrence Henry Heiman
702 Francis Lawrence Mohlman
703 Edward M. Boeding
704 Raymond Royal Burns
705 Gottlieb J. H. Hinton
706 Paul C. Ehlers
707 Harry Leroy Tryon
708 Alvin Wm. Hartman
709 Robert Vernon Dean
710 Albert Henry Heinen
711 Marion Ross Moser
712 Oliver Russ Mosteller
713 Francis Flaherty
714 Paul John Tanking
715 Henry August Becker
716 Charles Thomas Carman
717 Harold Andre Harwick
718 John Leslie Milne
719 Alvin frank Boeckman
720 Alyosius John Broxterman
721 Glen Albert Newman
722 Orville Kenneth Burget
723 Albert Joseph Wichman
724 Albert Vincent Becker
725 Claude Herbert Walker
726 Paul Albertus Johnson
727 Lloyd Melvin Stoldt
728 Russell Eugene Firkins
729 Amos Marion Wright
730 Clemens Carl Sudbeck
831 Wilbert Jacob Leuthold
732 Vincent Mathias Schmitz
733 Edwin Streit
734 John Irven Daily
735 Verne Lane Couch
736 Theodore William Brien
737 Virgil M. Stallbaumer
738 Lawrence Bernard Wessel
739 Lawrence Wm. Luckereth

740 Clyde Eldon Sourk
741 Russell Carl Shepherd
742 Wilbern Frances Olberding
743 Chris Wm Aeschliman
744 Virgil Benny Murphy
745 John Ruben Watkins
746 Joe Haverkamp
747 Hubert Louis Stallbaumer
748 Loyd Ehram
749 Herbert L. Johnstone
750 Elvin Edward Watkins

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

Sunday, August 07, 2022

It's Saturday Night –

time for more Genealogy Fun!

Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible music here) is to:

1) Who is a mysterious person in the family tree you'd like to learn more about? [Thank you to Linda Stufflebean for suggesting topics!]

When it comes to my tree, I have several mysteries. The 'most' mysterious would have to be my SMITH line – or should I say lines? And two of those SMITH mysteries are in my CRAWFORD line.

My third great grandfather, Nelson G. Crawford, married Martha SMITH in September 1833 in Warren County, Indiana. While I have yet to find any source tying Martha to her parents or siblings, I have found some evidence that suggests her mother may have been Hannah Smith. While Find a Grave does not contain a record for Hannah Smith, the book, *Inscriptions from Western Warren County, Indiana Cemeteries, Volume II*, by Rosella Jenkins, contains a major clue. A 56 year old Hannah Smith who died in 1847 is buried in the same cemetery as Martha Smith Crawford: the West Lebanon Cemetery.

CRAWFORD, Infant c/o N.G. and M.	d. 4/06/1842		
CRAWFORD, Infant s/o N.G. and M.E.	d.11/22/1859	17d	
CRAWFORD, Mary E.	d.6/03/1880	44y	7m 26d
CRAWFORD, Wm.	d.11/06/1880	24y	11m 14d
CRAWFORD, Nelson G.	10/17/1808 - 3/21/1861 or 1864		
CRAWFORD, Martha A., w/o N.G.			
BIGGS, Elizabeth, w/o Joseph's son	8/03/1815 - 8/01/1871	78y	7m 1d
WONG, David	d.11/ /1842		
GRANT, Elias P., s/o T.J. and M.A.	d.12/25/1855	57y	1m 15d
GRANT, Sarah A., d/o T.J. and Mary A.	d. 8/13/1853		7m 15d
GRANT, Infant d/o T.J. and M.A. b.&	d.10/09/1859		5m 18d
GRANT, Mary A., w/o T.J.	d.10/15/1860		
GRANT, Nancy E., w/o J.F.	d.10/19/1860	35y	7m 15d
GUTH, Hamilton	d.9/22/1865	34y	11m 26d
PUGH, George	d.11/26/1852	41y	9m 21d
PUGH, Elizabeth, w/o Geo.	8/22/1789 - 7/18/1867		
ROY, William, s/o L. and M.	10/01/1805 - 11/26/1897		
ROY, Susan, d/o L. and M.	d. 6/28/1880	7m	5d
ROY, Bertha, d/o L. and M.	d. 9/27/1881		1m 21d
ROY, Anna M., d/o L. and M.	d. 8/02/1883		26d
ROY, George, s/o L. and M.	d. 9/20/1877		1m 14d
ROY, Levi	d. 7/17/1879		8m 15d
ROY, Minerva, w/o Levi	3/02/1840 - 3/15/1910		
ACRES, Mary A.	5/31/1848 - /		
Stone by C. Neeker	d.12/03/1840	4y	3m 1d
CRAWFORD, William C.	d.11/06/1868	24y	11m 14d
SMITH, Hannah	d. 5/10/1847	56y	7m 16d
HATTY, Elizabeth, w/o Isom	d.12/16/1839	33y	2m 25d
BIGGS, Joseph	d. 2/20/1840	75y	
BIGGS, Josiah	d.12/04/1844	50y	6m 4d
BIGGS, Mahala, w/o Josiah	d. 8/11/1893	92y	1m 28d

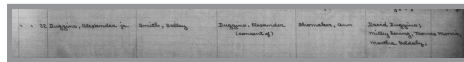
While this book does not indicate the location of the burials, I was able to locate the stone during one of my visits to the cemetery. My memory says that the stone was located on the East side of an aisle across from the stones of Nelson and Martha Crawford. Unfortunately, when I made a return trip to the West Lebanon Cemetery, the stone for Hannah Smith was missing.

What I did find was a pile of tombstones around a tree and several deer wondering thru the cemetery. Thus, I think it likely that the deer pushed over tombstones which were then piled around the tree.



Not only did Nelson G. Crawford marry a SMITH, but his mother's surname was also SMITH. Nelson's father, James Crawford, married Sally Duggins in September 1799 in Garrard County, KY. Sally's marriage to James Crawford was her second. She had previously been married to Alexander Duggins.

An Amherst County, Virginia marriage record for Alexander Duggins and Salley Smith indicates that Ann Shoemaker gave permission for the marriage.



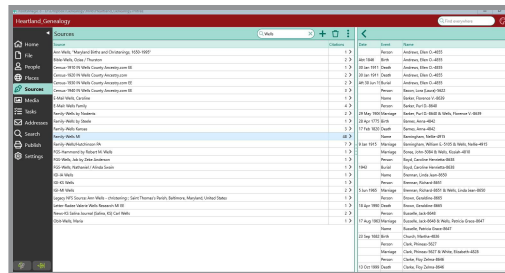
Thus, I have hints as to the identity of the mothers of both Martha and Salley Smith – but not the fathers. These two lines have been a mystery in my tree for years!

Merging Sources

Monday, August 08, 2022

Do you have a poorly crafted source in your RootsMagic file that you would like to replace with another? I have to admit that I have such sources in my file.

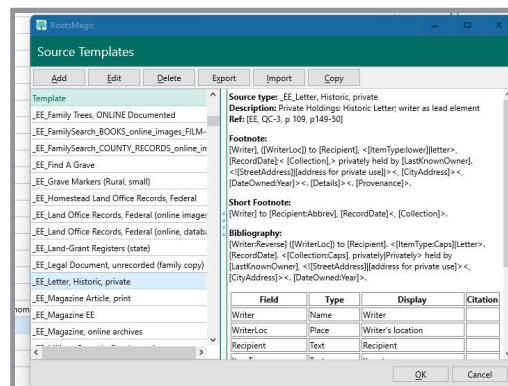
In the past, I have worked my way thru adding the new source/citation and deleting the old one – one fact at a time. Today, as I was working with my WELLS research I came across a source that needed updated – but it had been used 285 times.



Not wanting to work my way thru numerous individuals and 285 facts to switch out the source, I decided to experiment with merging the source.

First, I did a backup of my file. That way, if my experiment failed, I could restore the backup and start switching out the sources.

My next step was to create a 'new' source using a template based on Evidence Explained standards. The template I used was one I had copied from one of the built-in RootsMagic templates. It was for a letter.



Using my template, I entered the information for the new source.

Edit Source

Master Source - Letter-Radee Valerie Wells Research MI EE

Source Type	EE_Letter, Historic, private
Source Name	Letter-Rader Wells Research MI EE
Writer	
Writer's location	Albion, Michigan
Recipient	Marcia Philbrick
Item type	Letter
Last known owner	Marcia Philbrick
Street address	address of the owner
City address	the city and state address of owner
Date owned	2022
Collection	Wells Family Correspondence
Provenance	custodial history of ownership
Master Source text, media, etc	

With my new source highlighted on the SOURCES screen, I pulled down the 3 dot menu and selected MERGE SOURCE.

Sources

Wells

Source	Options
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Bible Wells, Cedar / Thornton	Print sources
Census-1910 IN Wells County Ancestry.com EE	Delete selected source
Census-1920 IN Wells County Ancestry.com EE	Crisp selected source
Census-1930 IN Wells County Ancestry.com EE	Merge all duplicate sources
Census-1940 IN Wells County Ancestry.com EE	Merge all duplicate citations
E-Mail Wells, Caroline	Source template list
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Family-Wells/Hutchinson PA	7 >
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PDS-Wells, John by Zane Anderson	1 >
PDS-Wells, Nathaniel / Abigail Swain	1 >
Q3-IA Wells	1 >
Q3-KS Wells	1 >
Q3-MI Wells	2 >
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Letter-Radee Valerie Wells Research MI EE	1 >
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Then, I highlighted my 'bad' source. (Family-Wells MI)

Sources

Wells

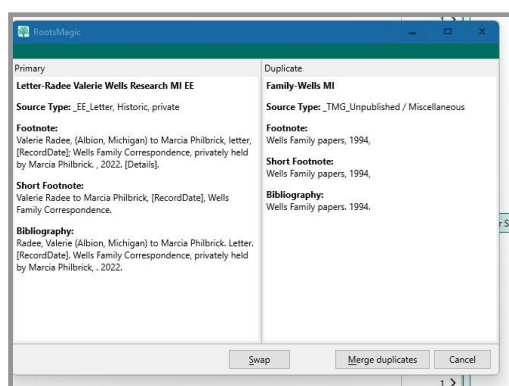
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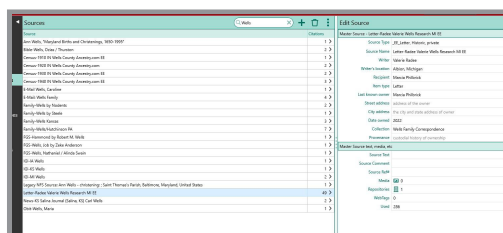
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By selecting the 2nd source (my bad one), a window opened showing the two sources side by side..



This allows me to compare them before merging. If I had selected the sources in the 'wrong' order, I could swap them at this point. Since these sources are arranged in the way I wish to merge them, I clicked on MERGE DUPLICATES. That removed my 'bad' source and moved all the cited facts to my new source.



I don't know why I haven't tried this before! It was a simple way to switch out a new updated source for my older 'bad' source.

Ozias Wells

Tuesday, August 09, 2022

Ozias Wells was born on 15 May 1796 in Northampton, Fulton County, New York. 1 – 4

He lived in Sullivan, Madison, New York, United States in 1820. 7

He purchased rights to gypsum and plaister in the undivided sixth part of all the gypsum or plaister that can be discovered as found on the whole or any part of all that certain piece or parcel of land consisting of thirty acres and being the north part of the second fifty acre lot in this subdivision of lot number forty in said town of Sullivan on 9 Jul 1825 in Madison, New York, United States. 11

Ozias lived in Madison, Madison, New York, United States before 1830. 13 – 14

He was aa delegate to Anti-Mason Convention in 1830. 15

After 1830 he worked for an uncle digging a canal near Princeton, Mercer, New Jersey, United States. 14

Ozias died on 5 Aug 1832 at the age of 36 in Princeton, Mercer, New Jersey, United States. 1 – 2 , 4 , 14 , 17 – 18

He was buried in 1832 at Princeton Baptist Church Cemetery in Penns Neck, Mercer, New Jersey, United States. 1

Ozias Wells and Mary Kennedy were married on 18 Mar 1818 in Sullivan, Madison, New York, United States. 2 , 4 , 18 – 19

Mary Kennedy, daughter of John Kennedy and Anna Barnes, was born on 21 Feb 1799 in Halfmoon, Saratoga, New York, United States. 2 , 4 , 14 , 18 , 20 – 21

She lived in Calhoun, Michigan, United States in 1837. 14 , 17

She lived in Calhoun, Michigan, United States in Jul 1840. 22

Mary lived in Clarendon, Calhoun, Michigan, United States on 21 Oct 1850. 23

She lived in Clarendon, Calhoun, Michigan, United States on 9 Oct 1860.

She lived in Clarendon Township, Calhoun, Michigan, United States on 9 Aug 1870. 24

Mary resided in 1873 in Chester Township, Eaton County, Michigan. 25

She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. 14

She lived in Kalamo Township, Eaton, Michigan, United States on 18 Jun 1880. 26

Mary died on 23 Mar 1885 at the age of 86 in Kalamo, Eaton, Michigan, United States. 2 , 4 , 14 , 20 – 21 , 27

She was buried in 1885 at Kaloma Cem. in Eaton, Michigan, United States. 21

Mary and Ozias were the parents of six children:

- On 27 Mar 1819, a child named Benjamin Franklin Wells was born in Sullivan, Madison, New York, United States. 5 – 6
- On 26 Feb 1821, a child named Thurston Kennedy Wells was born in Sullivan, Madison, New York, United States. 8
- On 9 Jan 1823, a child named William Wallice Wells was born in Sullivan, Madison, New York, United States. 9
- On 6 Mar 1825, a child named Hannah Anne Wells was born in Sullivan, Madison, New York, United States. 10
- On 14 Jan 1827, a child named Mary Jane Wells was born in Sullivan, Madison, New York, United States. 12
- On 8 May 1831, a child named Nancy Phidila Wells was born in Sullivan, Madison, New York, United States. 16

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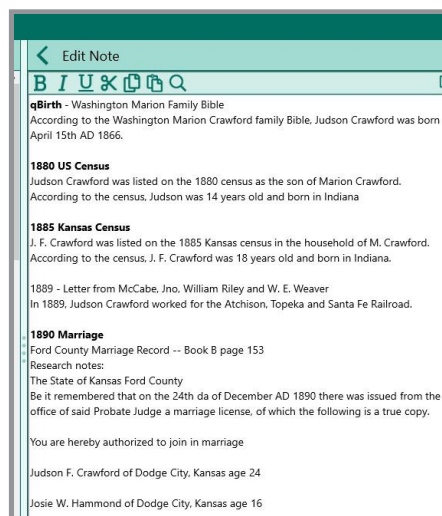
Research Notes Revisited

Wednesday, August 10, 2022

Do you keep research notes? This is a part of the genealogy process that professional genealogists have incorporated into their research process for years. However, this is a process that I've never truly adopted.

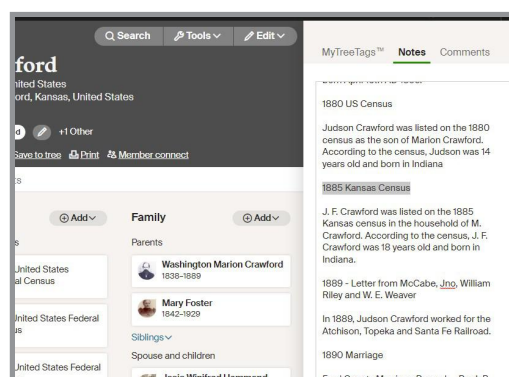
My first exposure to the process of creating such notes was in an Ancestry video that I watched several years ago where Crista Cowan explains the difference between NOTEES and COMMENTS on the Ancestry family tree.

After watching that video, I tried creating notes for some of my ancestors. In the process of creating these notes, I found that I could create a PERSON NOTE in my RootsMagic file.



RootsMagic 8 Person Notes – Judson Crawford

With TreeShare, I can upload those PERSON NOTES to my tree on Ancestry where they appear as NOTES.



While this process works and achieves the goal of keeping research notes, I found several drawbacks in the process.

- No spell checker for the PERSON NOTE in RootsMagic
- Bold formatting in RM is not transferred to Ancestry
- Bulleted lists is not available
- Changing the color of the font or highlighting is not available
- The note is NOT visible or editable while working on facts/sources for the person. In other words, I can't have both windows open at the same time.

To get around these drawbacks, I created notes in MS Word. *However, this hasn't become a habit.* Thus, the files I created have not been updated. Nor have I created files for the ancestors I've researched since then.

And then I watched the video by Connie Knox about what she would do if starting a genealogy project from scratch. And there at about 17 minutes, she discusses research notes.

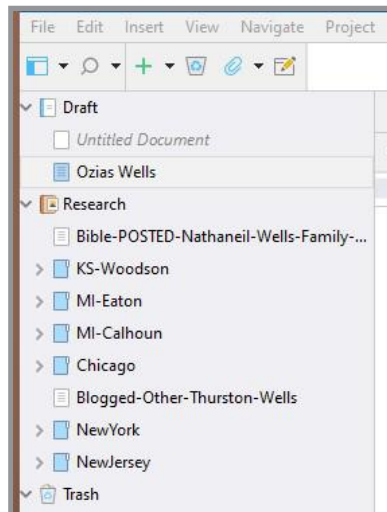
While watching this video and thinking about my recent research involving my 3rd great grandparents, I realized that research notes would be very helpful. For example, the information I have for my ancestor Ozias Wells is based on a family Bible, two biographies of a son, and someone else's descendancy report. I have not done exhaustive research of Ozias and have a lot of holes (questions) about his life.

Thinking about this need, I watched the video by Family History Fanatics about research notes.

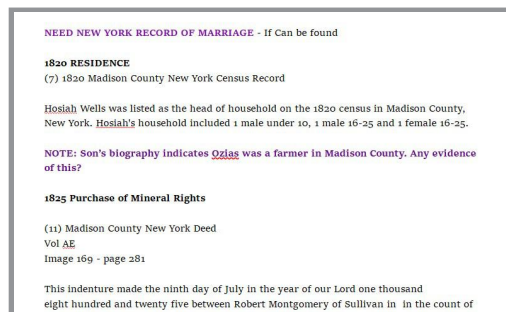
After watching these videos, I concluded that I need to be keeping research notes — but they need to be a regular part of my research process and easily updated. In addition, they need to allow for the use of highlighting and other formatting tools.

While others may use One Note or Evernote to organize their research and maintain research notes, I struggled with these tools. About three years ago, I discovered another tool that I'm using to keep track of my research. While actually created for authors, I've found Scrivener to be very useful for my research process. I talked about how I use Scrivener to track my research – including transcriptions of documents in my 2019 Research Notes post.

While I've been using the RESEARCH portion of Scrivener to keep track of my findings, I haven't tried to 'write a book' on the DRAFT portion of the program. Thinking about this need for RESEARCH NOTES, I started thinking about putting them in Scrivener along with my research – but in the DRAFT portion.



Experimenting, I created Research Notes for Ozias Wells in Scrivener.



I found that I could use various formatting tools to help organize these notes – including the use of color to highlight questions. Since these notes are stored in the surname Scrivener project, they are alongside the notes I'm taking from various sources.

While creating the notes for Ozias Wells, I also found that I'm relying on about 3 sources for all of the information I have for Ozias. This process also helped me insert notes and questions that will hopefully develop into research questions to guide future research. Hopefully, this use of Scrivener to create research notes will become a habit helping me further my research.

Two Samuels

Thursday, August 11, 2022

Do you have 'favorite' lines in your tree? I'm referring to those lines that you have spent the most time researching compared to other lines. I have to admit that I do have at least one favorite line – my CRAWFORD line.

Thus, I might conclude that I did not do a very good job of researching my third great grandfathers for my other lines. However, when I look at the sourcing I added to these lines in comparison to what was available during that time, I did fairly well at adding sources. These sources included census records and published history and genealogies. While I made two trips to Salt Lake where I obtained quite a few deeds for my ancestors, I did not have time to search for these deeds for all of my lines.

So, when I began reviewing my information for Samuel H. Christy, I found that I don't have any land records for Samuel, even though the census indicates he owned real estate in both Fayette County, Ohio in 1850 and in Tipton County, Indiana in 1860. [Samuel Christy in my Ancestry tree]

SCHEDULE I. - Free Inhabitants in Jasper Township in the County of Fayette, State of Ohio enumerated by me, on the 26th day of Sept. 1850. William Smith, Ass. Clerk

No.	Name	Age	Sex	Color	Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each Male Person over 15 years of age.	Place or Birth, (State, Territory, or County)	Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict.
1293	Samuel H. Christy	26	M	W	Farmer	Ind.	
1294	Agnes	24	F	W			
1295	Emily	17	F	W			
1296	Robert	15	M	W			
1297	John	7	M	W			
1298	William	5	M	W			
1299	Agnes	2	F	W			

1850 U.S. Census, Fayette County Ohio, population schedule, Jasper Township, Fayette County, Indiana, page 156, household 1293, Samuel H Christy; digital image, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com : viewed online October 2017); NARA microfilm publication M432.

1860 U.S. Census, Tipton County, Indiana, population schedule, Jefferson Township, Tipton County, Indiana, page 189 Image 15 of 34, household 1425, Samuel H Christy; digital image, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com : viewed online November 2017); NARA microfilm publication M653

No.	Name	Age	Sex	Color	Profession, Occupation, or Trade	Place or Birth	Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict.
1425	Samuel H. Christy	30	M	W	Farmer	Ind.	
1426	Agnes	26	F	W			
1427	Emily	17	F	W			
1428	Robert	15	M	W			
1429	John	7	M	W			
1430	William	5	M	W			
1431	Agnes	2	F	W			

1860 U.S. Census, Tipton County, Indiana, population schedule, Jefferson Township, Tipton County, Indiana, page 189 Image 15 of 34, household 1425, Samuel H Christy; digital image, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com : viewed online November 2017); NARA microfilm publication M653

Unfortunately, the Tipton County, Indiana land records are locked and will have to be searched at a later date. However, the Fayette County, Ohio land records are available. Thus, I started searching for land records for Samuel Christy in Fayette County.

That initial search showed quite a few grantor records for Samuel Christy.

Date	Grantor	Grantee	Acreage
1834	Samuel Christy	James Christy	1/2
1834	Samuel Christy	John Christy	1/2
1834	Samuel Christy	David Christy	1/2
1834	Samuel Christy	John Christy	1/2

Fayette County Ohio, Grantor Index, A-K 1810-1913, Film 292607 DGS 7900590, page 224 (Image 129)

These first entries in the grantor index for Samuel Christy are a major clue to the existence of a second Samuel Christy owning land in Fayette County, Ohio. The clue is the date of the deeds. Since my Samuel H. Christy was born about 1819, he would not have been old enough to own let alone sell land in 1834. Thus, there has to be a second, older Samuel Christy.

Fortunately, there is one entry in the index for a Samuel H. Christy.

Date	Grantor	Grantee	Acreage
1850	Samuel H. Christy	Samuel Christy	1/2
1850	Samuel H. Christy	Samuel Christy	1/2
1850	Samuel H. Christy	Samuel Christy	1/2

Fayette County Ohio, Grantor Index, A-K 1810-1913, Film 292607 DGS 7900590, page 224 (Image 129)

As a deed for the sale of land, Samuel's wife must also sign the deed. Since the wife's name on the deed is 'Lydia Christy' I believe this deed is for my ancestor, Samuel H. and Lydia (Gallimore) Christy.

Another clue is found by comparing the Oct 1850 deed for Samuel H Christy to the June 1851 deed for Samuel Christy. Both of these deeds are for land that was part of survey 1342. Thus, it is possible they are for the same Samuel Christy. The deed for Samuel H. Christy in Book P on page 51 appears to have been signed by Samuel H. Christy and Lydia Christy.

Samuel H. Christy
Lydia Christy

The 1851 Samuel Christy deed does not include a wife. The signature also indicates that Samuel Christy could not sign his name since it says 'his mark'.

Samuel Christy
his mark

Thus, I believe my original conclusion that there are (at least) two men named Samuel Christy selling land in Fayette County, Ohio. Much additional research will be required to figure out who this second Samuel Christy is. For now I'm concentrating on my ancestor, Samuel H. Christy.

Below is the deed where Samuel H. Christy and his wife, Lydia, sold land in Fayette County, Ohio.

Oct 5 1850 Christy Samuel H to David Cramer Book P page 51

Image 35 – page 51

Samuel H Christy
To Deed
David Creamer
\$750 – 50 – 1342

Know all men that I Samuel H. Christy and Lydia Christy wife of said Samuel H. Christy of the County of Fayette and State of Ohio in consideration of the sum of seven hundred & fifty dollars in hand paid by David Creamer of the County & State aforesaid have bargained and sold and do hereby grant bargain sell and convey unto the said David Creamer his heirs and assigns forever, the following premises, situate in the County of Fayette in the State of Ohio and in Jasper Township and bound and described as follows. Beginning at a stone & Hickory northwest corner to David Christy thence S 142 poles to a large Elm the southwest corner to said Christy. Thence W 56 1/4 poles to a honey locust 7 elm corner to Samuel Fifth home thence N 142 poles to three elms & Bur oak corner to Fifth home. Thence E 56 1/4 poles to the beginning containing fifty acres of land be the same more or less being part of a survey made in the name of Thomas Shaw No 1342. To have and to hold said premises with the appurtenances unto the said David Creamer his heirs and assigns and the said Samuel H. Christy & wife for themselves and heirs do hereby covenant with said David Creamer his heirs and assigns that they are lawfully seized of the premises aforesaid, and that the premises are free and clear from all encumbrances whatsoever, and he will forever warrant and defend the same with the appurtenances, unto the said David Creamer & his heirs and assigns against all lawful claims of all persons whom so ever In Testimony whereof the said Samuel H. Christy and Lydia his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals this fifth day of October the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Fifty.
Samuel H.. Christy (seal)
Lydia Christy (seal)

page 52 (image 36)
Signed sealed & Acknowledged
in presence of us
J. B. Creamer
David D. Christy

The State of Ohio Fayette county SS
Before e J. B. Creamer a Justice of the Peace
in and for said County personally appeared the
above named Samuel H. Christy and Lydia
Christy his wife and acknowledged the signing
and sealing of the above conveyance to be their voluntary act and deed; and the
said Lydia Christy being at the same time examined by me separate and apart

from her husband and the contents of said instrument made known to her by me
she then declared that she did voluntarily sign seal and acknowledge the same
and that she is still satisfied therewith; this fifth day of Octr A. D. 1850

J. B Creamer JP

Recd 20th Recorded 21st Nov 1850

Ohio, Fayette County. Deeds, v. P 1850-1853. Film #292618 DGS 8141941. Samuel H.
Christy, 9 Oct 1850 Vol. P: page 51 (image 35); digitized images, FamilySearch
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Friday Finds

Friday, August 12, 2022

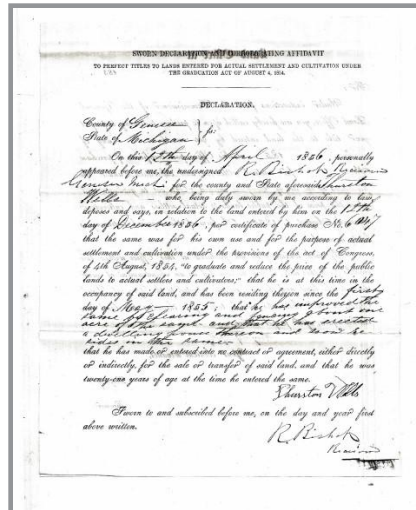
In an attempt to figure out whether I was working with one or two men named Thurston Wells, I ordered land entry records from the National Archives. As it turns out, the records I ordered were not for my ancestor, but for the 'other' Thurston Wells. The major clue to the difference is that these papers were filed by a single man and my ancestor was married in 1851.

Sworn Declaration and Corroborating Affidavit

To Perfect Titles to Lands Entered for Actual Settlement and Cultivation Under the Graduation Act of August 4, 1854

Declaration
County of Genesee
State of Michigan

On this 12th day of April 1856, personally appeared before me, the undersigned R. Bishop Receiver Genesee Mich for the county and State aforesaid Thurston Wells, who being duly sworn by me according to law deposes and says, in relation to the land entered by him the 12th day of December 1856, per certificate of purchase No. 6047 that the same was for his own use and for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation under the provisions of the act of Congress of 4th August 1854, "to graduate and reduce the price of the public lands to actual settlers and cultivators," that he is at this time in the occupancy of said land, and has been residing thereon since the first day of May 1855; that he has improved the same by clearing and fencing about one acre of the same and that he has erected a dwelling house thereon and now resides in the same that he has made or entered no contract or agreement, either directly or indirectly, for the sale or transfer of said land, and that he was twenty-one years of age at the time he entered the same.
Thurston Wells
Sworn to and subscribed before me, on the day and year first above written.
R Bishop
Receiver



Corroborating Affidavit

County of Genesee

State of Michigan

Before me, R. Bishop Receiver Genesee Mich

personally appeared John McIntyre who, being duly

sworn according to law, deposes and says, that he is well acquainted

with Thurston Wells who subscribed the foregoing

declaration and knows him to be the identical person who entered the

land described therein, and that he is now, and has been residing on

said land since the first day of May 1855 and that

his statement in regard to the improvements on the land he well

knows from personal observation to be true.

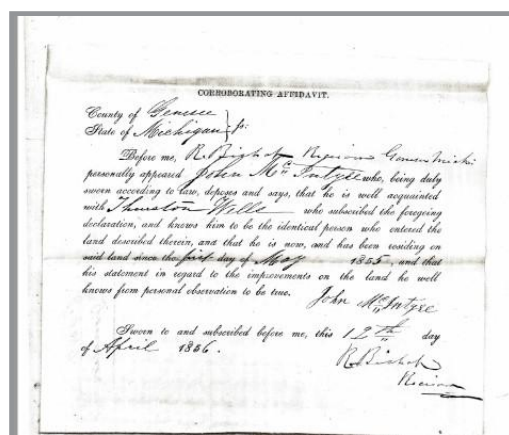
John McIntyre

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 12th day

of April 1856

R. Bishop

Receiver

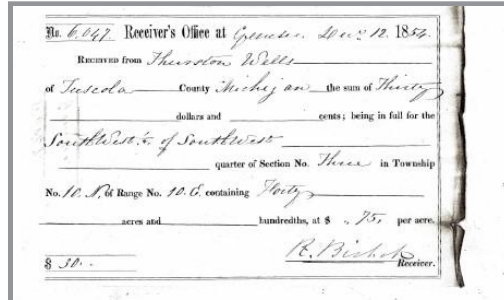


No. 6047 Receiver's Office at Genesee, Decr 12 1854

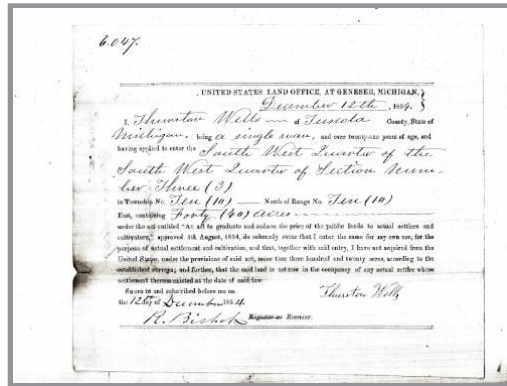
Received form Thurston Wells

of Tuscola County Michigan the sum of Thirty

dollars and cents; being in full for the Southwest 1/4 of Southwest quarter of section no. three in Township No. 10 N of Range No 10 E containing forty acres and hundredths, at \$.75 per acre
\$30
R Bishop Receiver



6047
United States Land Office, at Genesee, Michigan
December 12th, 1854
I, Thurston Wells of Tuscola County, State of Michigan, being a single man, and over twenty-one years of age, and having applied to enter the South west Quarter of the South west Quarter of Section Number Three (3) in Township No. Ten (10) North of Range No. Ten (10) East, containing forty (40) acres under the act entitled "An act to graduate and reduce the price of the public lands to actual settlers and cultivators," approved 4th August, 1854, do solemnly swear that I enter the same for my own use, for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation, and that, together with said entry, I have not acquired from the United States, under provisions of said act, more than three hundred and twenty acres, according to the established surveys; and further that that the said land is not now in the occupancy of any settler whose settlement thereon existed at the date of said law.
Thurston Wells
Sworn to and subscribed before me on the 12th day of December 1854
R Bishop Receiver

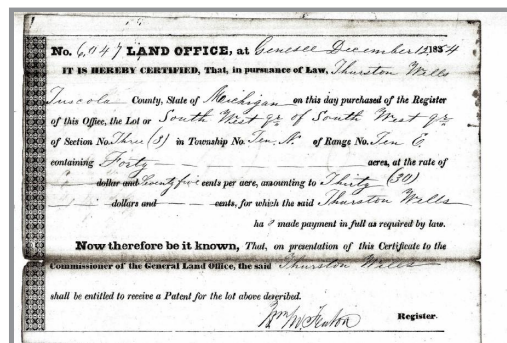


No 6047 Land Office at Genesee December 12 1854

It is hereby certified, that, in pursuance of law, Thurston Wells
 Tuscola County, State of Michigan on this day purchased of the Register
 of this Office, the lot or South West qr of South West qr
 of Section No. Three (3) in Township No. Ten N of Range No. Ten E
 containing forty acres, at the rate of
 twenty five cents per acres, amounting to Thirty (30)
 dollars, for which the said Thurston Wells
 has made payment in full as required by law.

Now therefore be it known, that on presentation of this Certificate to the
 Commissioner of he General Land Office, the said Thurston Wells
 shall be entitled to receive a Patent for the lot above described.

Wm M Fenton Register



Saturday Tidbits

Saturday, August 13, 2022

1940 Draft – Nemaha County, Kansas

Courier Tribune

December 12, 1940

Draft Order

(Official List Continued)

751 Raymond V. Savage
752 Melvin Armstrong Noel
753 Kenneth Dale McKee
754 Halsey McLaughlin
755 George Edward Olberding
756 Martin Owen Ford
757 Vernon Berton Tibbetts
758 Ira Laverne Schroeder
759 John Felix Wilhelm
760 Frank Joseph Hermes
761 Harold William Schleif
762 Francis Edward Becker
763 Elwyn Charles Haug
764 Benedict Paul Clacys
765 Leonard Andrew Adams
766 Clarence William Ford
767 Allen Louis Gilbert
768 Luther James Clark
769 Cyril Henry Holthaus
770 Albert Lester Andrick
771 George Edwin Eichelberger
772 Harold Levern wood
773 Gerald Francis Sourk
774 Frederick F. Stoldt
775 Francis William Andres
776 Harold Elbert Fund
777 Paul C. C. Korber
778 Reuben N. Moser
779 Leo John Waller
780 Clarence Raphael Haug
781 Lyle Sylvester Russell
782 David Edelman
783 Herbert Kreitzer Lichty
784 LeRoy A. VanDalsen
785 Eldred Allen Lowry
786 Francis LeRoy Zelfer
787 John Lawrence Welborn
788 Richard George Hatch
789 Cyril Herman Boeding
790 Arthur Mile Carpenter

791 Carl S. Krotzinger
792 Louis Wenger
793 Wilbur Samuel Haxton
794 Howard Charles Luse
795 Victor Merle Krainbill
796 Joseph Frank Wicki
797 Jake A Lehman
798 Joseph Anthony Burdick
799 Francis G. Engelken

Books

Sunday, August 14, 2022

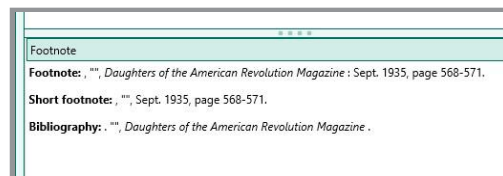
Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible music here) is to:

1) What is a "new to you" resource that is helping your genealogy research? [Thank you to Linda Stufflebean for suggesting topics!]

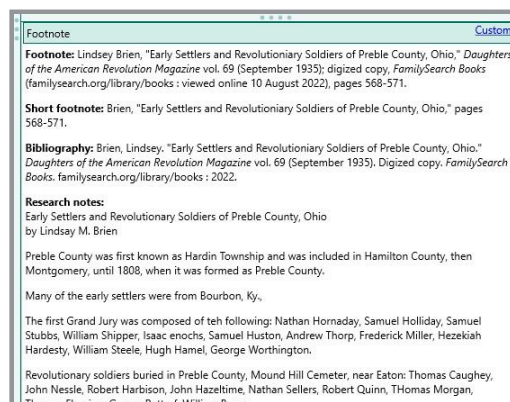
Looking back over my recent research, the only source that could be considered 'new to me' would be the Online Digital Library on FamilySearch. Since I had written a scheduled post about this resource, I decided to use that post for my response to Randy Seaver's Saturday Night Genealogy Fun challenge.

Have you used the BOOKS (or Online Digital Library) on FamilySearch? While I had read/heard about this valuable resource, I had forgotten to about it. I actually stumbled upon it when trying to update a very poor citation.

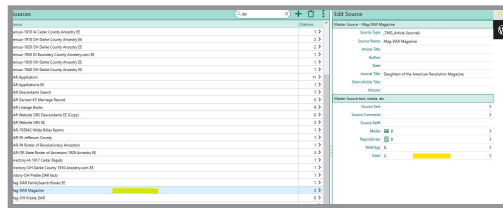


Hoping to find a digital version of the September 1935 issue of the DAR Magazine, I searched Google and Archive.org and several other sites with digital resources. Not finding anything, I returned to Google and tried a different search. That search led me to a digital copy in the Online Digital Library on FamilySearch!

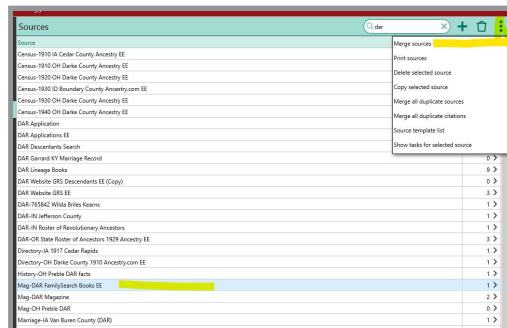
By locating a digital copy, I was able to create a better citation and transcribe portions of the article into the 'notes' area for the citation.



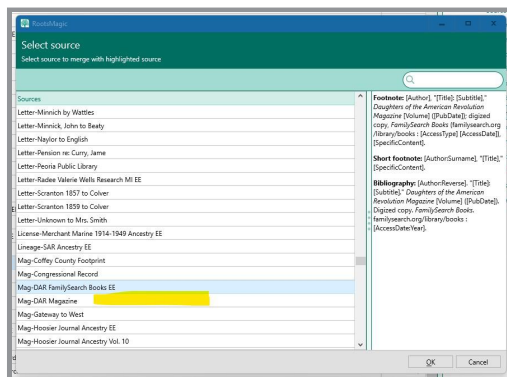
Since creating the new citation, I need to replace the old ones with this new one. Thanks to the changes in RootsMagic 8, I can tell how many times the bad source was used.



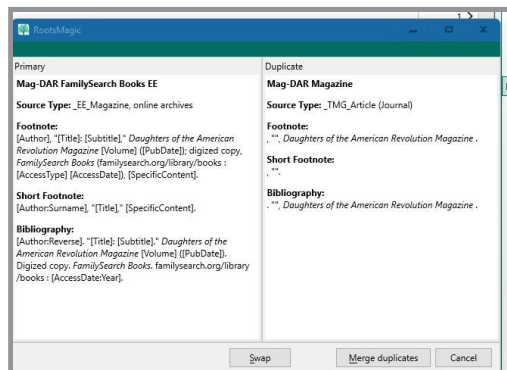
To merge the sources, I highlight the source I wish to keep and click on the 3 vertical dots in the upper right corner of the SOURCES screen. This opens a menu where I can select MERGE SOURCES.



That opens the SELECT SOURCE window where I'm prompted to select the source I wish to merge into the other source



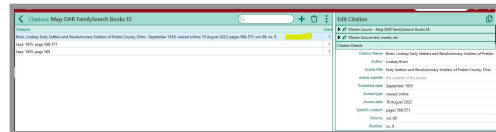
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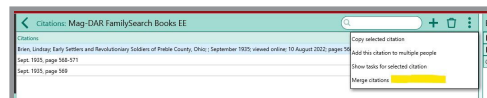
Clicking on the MERGE DUPLICATES button merges my 'bad' source into my new one. Now, I have 3 citations.

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History On Preble DAR facts	1	3
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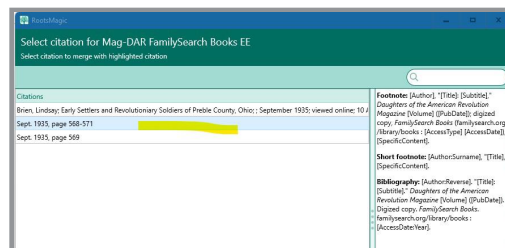
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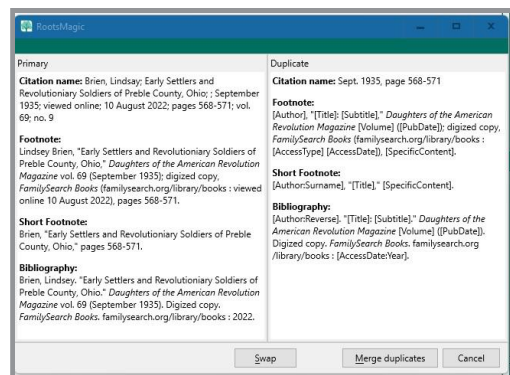
Now, using the 3 dot menu, I can highlight the citation I wish to keep and then select MERGE CITATIONS from the menu.



Like the MERGE SOURCES process, this opens a window where I'm prompted to select a citation I wish to merge into the previously highlighted 'good' one.



This opens a window comparing the two citations.



Clicking on the MERGE DUPLICATES button merges the 'bad' citation into the newer 'good' one. While this process works one citation at a time, it allows me to get rid of my 'bad' citations.

Now, I need to learn more about the BOOKS – or Online Digital Library at FamilySearch.

- Is Your Family in the Update Digital Library?

Samuel Christy

Monday, August 15, 2022

Samuel Christy was born on 11 Sep 1819 in Indiana, United States. 1 – 3

He lived in Jasper Township, Fayette, Ohio, United States on 21 Sep 1850. 4 – 5

He sold land on 9 Oct 1850 in Fayette, Ohio, United States. 6

Samuel H. Christy is listed as a 31 year old farmer on the 1850 census in Jasper, Fayette County, Ohio. According to the census, Samuel owned \$541 in real estate and was born in Ohio. Also listed in the census was a 26 year old female, Lydia; a 7 year old female, Emily J; a 5 year old female Elmidia, a 3 year old female Rhoda E and a 2 year old male, Eli S. All were born in Ohio.

Samuel lived in Jefferson Township, Tipton, Indiana, United States on 1 Aug 1860. 7

Samuel Christy was listed as a 40 year old male born in Indiana on the 1860 census. Samuel's occupation was farming. He owned \$1600 in real estate and \$200 in personal estate. Also listed in the household was Lydia, aged 36 and born in Ohio; Emily, female age 17 and born in Ohio; Rachel E, female age 15 and born in Ohio; Shela M, female age 8 and born in Ohio; Ebenezer, male age 7 and born in Indiana; Samuel M, male age 5 and born in Indiana; Lydia A, female age 2 and born in Indiana; and Hester female age 6/12 and born in Indiana.

He registered for the military draft in Jul 1863 in Indiana, United States. 8

He lived in Jefferson Township, Tipton, Indiana, United States on 6 Jul 1870. 9

Samuel Christy was listed as a 51 year old farmer born in Ohio on the 1870 census living in Jefferson, Tipton County, Indiana. According to the census, he owned \$2000 in real estate and \$200 in personal property. Also listed in the household was a 34 year old female, Mary S.; a 17 year old male, Ebenezer; a 14 year old male, Milton; a 12 year old female Lyda; a 10 year old female, Esther; a 3 year old female, Samantha; an 1 year old male, George and a 7/12 year old female, Nancy. All besides Samuel were born in Indiana.

Samuel lived in Jefferson Township, Tipton, Indiana, United States on 22 Jun 1880. 10

Samuel H Christy is listed a a 53 year old farmer and cabinet maker who was born in Ohio on the 1880 census living in Tipton County, Indiana. Also listed in the census was his 49 year old wife, Maria; a 24 year old son, George, an 11 year old daughter, Nancy, an 8 year old son, Henry and a 76 year old mother, Rachael.

He signed a will in 1887 in Tipton County, Indiana. 11

He lived in Jefferson Township, Tipton, Indiana, United States in 1900. 12

Samuel Christy was listed as an 80 year old male farmer on the 1900 census living in Tipton County, Indiana. According to the census, Samuel was born Sept 1819 in Ohio. Also listed in the household was his wife, born Dec 1830 in Indiana, a son, Henry, born

Feb 1872 in Indiana; a grandson, Vern Plough born March 1888 in Indiana; a grandson Hurshel born Aug 1890 in Indiana.

Samuel died on 24 Mar 1904 at the age of 84 in Clinton, Indiana, United States. 2 – 3 , 13

He was buried on 25 Mar 1904 at Hills Baptist Church Cemetery in Pickard, Clinton, Indiana, United States. 2 – 3

He had his will proved on 30 Mar 1904 in Tipton, Indiana, United States. 11

Samuel had his estate probated on 23 Nov 1904 in Tipton, Indiana, United States. 11

1st Wife – Lydia Gallimore

Samuel Christy and Lydia Gallimore were married on 3 Mar 1842 in Fayette, Ohio, United States. 14 – 16

Lydia Gallimore 17 , daughter of Isom Gallimore and Judith Bentley, was born on 25 Mar 1824 in Ohio, Kentucky, United States. 1 , 17 – 18

She lived in Jasper Township, Fayette, Ohio, United States on 21 Sep 1850. 4

She lived in Jefferson Township, Tipton, Indiana, United States on 1 Aug 1860. 7

Lydia died on 1 Feb 1864 at the age of 39 in Clinton, Indiana, United States. 18 – 19

She was buried after 1 Feb 1864 at Hills Baptist Church Cemetery in Pickard, Clinton, Indiana, United States. 20

2nd Wife – Mary Amos

Samuel Christy and Mary Susan Amos were married on 18 Nov 1866 in Clinton, Indiana, United States. 19 , 21 – 22

Mary Susan Amos 2 , 19 , 23 was born on 1 Aug 1837 in Indiana, United States. 2 , 24 – 25

She lived in Sugar Creek Township, Clinton, Indiana, United States on 27 Jul 1860. 25

She lived in Jefferson Township, Tipton, Indiana, United States on 6 Jul 1870. 9

Mary died on 21 Oct 1872 at the age of 35. 2 , 24

She was buried at Hills Baptist Church Cemetery in Pickard, Clinton, Indiana, United States. 24

3rd Wife – Mariah Burk

Samuel Christy and Mariah Burk were married on 14 Oct 1871 in Clinton, Indiana, United States. 26 – 27

Mariah Burk 2 was born on 27 Dec 1830. 2 , 28

She lived in Jefferson Township, Tipton, Indiana, United States in 1880. 10

She lived in Jefferson Township, Tipton, Indiana, United States in 1900. 12

Mariah died on 18 Dec 1907 at the age of 76 in Sugar Creek Township, Clinton, Indiana, United States. 2 , 28

She was buried. 28

Samuel and Lydia were the parents of

- Emily Jane Christy (1843-1864)
- Rachel Elmeda Christy (1845-1927)
- Rhoda Elizabeth Christy (1850-1851)
- Eli Salathiel Christy (1848-1851)
- Shelamiah Christy (1850-1861)
- Ebenezer Christy (1853-1941)
- Samuel Milton Christy (1855-1924)
- Lydia Alice Christy (1858-1888)
- Esther Christy (1860-1924)

Samuel and Mary were the parents of

- Samantha Christy (1867-1873)
- George Christy (1868-1938)
- Nancy Christy (1869-1934)
- William Henry Christy (1872-1906)

ENDNOTES:

1. 1860 U.S. Census, Clinton County Indiana, population schedule, Jefferson Township, Tipton County, Indiana, page 189, family 1384, Samuey H Christy; digital image, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com : viewed online 23 July 2022); NARA microfilm publication M653.

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3. Indiana, Death Certificates, 1899-2011, Samuel H St G Christy, 1904; database with images, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com : viewed online December 2018).

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26. "Indiana, Marriage Index, 1800-1941," Ancestry.com, (www.ancestry.com : County Court Records at Williamsport, IN, Clinton County, Indiana, viewed online (13 December 21), Samuel H Christy.
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28. Indiana, Death Certificates, 1899-2011, Maria Christy, 18 December 1907; .

County History

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Have you used county histories in your search for family information? When I first started, these histories were tremendous help to my research. I was aware that many genealogist referred to these histories as 'mug books' since people often paid to be included and may have enhanced their biographies.

As I was reviewing my sources for John Ricketts, I came across his biography in the book, History of Clinton County, Indiana published in 1886 by Inter-State Publishing Company. Not only does this biography contain a wealth of information about James and his family but there are other helpful biographies in the publication as well. The details from these biographies formed the backbone for my research of this family and helped me locate records for the family.

John Ricketts Biography

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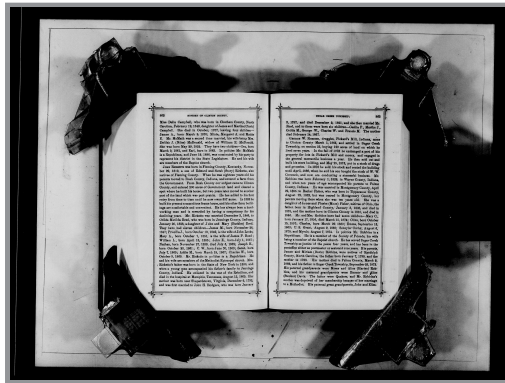
John Ricketts was born in Fleming County, Kentucky, November 22, 1812, a son of Edward and Sarah (Story) Ricketts, also natives of Fleming County. When he was eighteen years old his parents moved to Rush County, Indiana, and entered a farm from the Government. From Rush County our subject came to Clinton County, and entered 200 acres of Government land and cleared a spot where he built his house, but two years later moved to another part of the land which was part prairie. He has added to his first entry from time to time until he now owns 357 acres. In 1883 he built his present commodious frame house, and his other farm buildings are comfortable and convenient. He has always been a hardworking man and is rewarded by having a competency for his declining years. Mr. Ricketts was married December 3, 1846, to Orilda Matilda Reed, who was born in Jennings County, Indiana, January 20, 1828, a daughter of John and Mary (Buckles) Reed. They have had eleven children—James M., born November 28, 1847; Priscilla J., born October 10, 1849, is the wife of John Lonks, Mary A., born October 7, 1851, is the wife of James P. Bond; William L., born April 18, 1855; John E., born July 1, 1857; Nathan, born November 27, 1859, died July 5, 1862; Joseph H., born October 28, 1861; C. W., born June 30, 1863; Sarah, born July 7, 1865; Addie M., born March 18, 1867; Charles W., born October 9, 1869. Mr. Ricketts in politics is a Republican. He and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mrs. Ricketts's father was born in the State of New York in 1800, and when a young man accompanied his father's family to Jennings County, Indiana. He enlisted in the war of the Rebellion, and died in the hospital at Memphis, Tennessee, August 15, 1865. Her mother was born near Shepardstown, Virginia, December 6, 1792, and was first married to John H. Rodgers, who was born January

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3, 1787, and died December 2, 1821, and she then married Mr. Reed, and to them were born six children—Cecilia F., Martha J., Orilda M., George W., Charles W. and Francis M. The mother died February 14, 1867.

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political history (Chicago: Inter-state Publishing Co., 1886,), page 862-863; FHL 1036812 item 6 DGS 7956702.



John C. Reed Biography

This biography is a little confusing since it indicates that John and his wife Mary had 11 children. In reality, some of those 11 children are from Mary's first marriage to John Rogers and thus not the biological children on John Reed.

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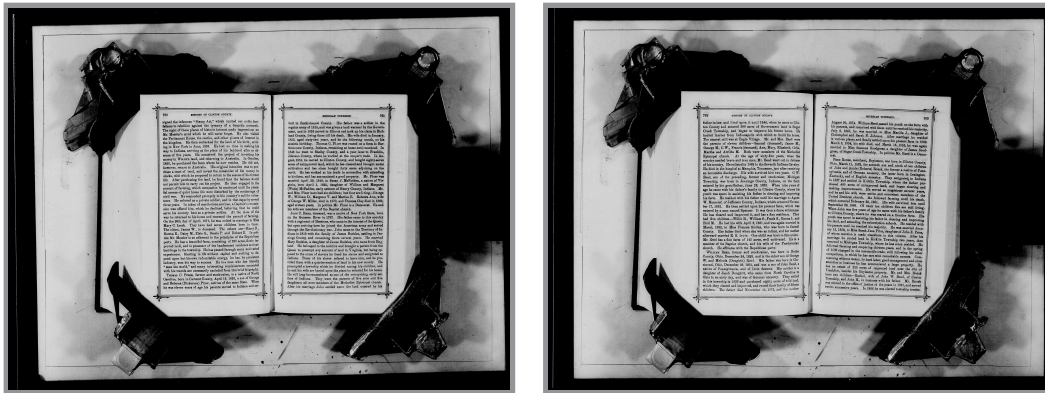
John C. Reed, deceased was a native of New York State, born on the Genesee River in 1787. His father came to this country with a regiment of Hessians, who came in the interest of the Queen; but upon arriving here he joined the American army and served through the Revolutionary war. John came to the Territory of Indiana in 1812 with the family of James Buckles, settling in Jennings County and remaining there several years. He married Mary Buckles, a daughter of James Buckles, who came from England. He belonged to the nobility and brought a permit from the Queen to preempt any amount of land in Virginia, but being opposed to the curse of slavery he freed his slaves and emigrated to Indiana. Three of his slaves refused to leave him, and he provided them with a quarter-section of land in his new county. He preempted a township which is divided among his children, and he and his wife are buried upon the place he selected for his home. He will long be remembered as one of the enterprising early settlers of Indiana. They were the parents of five sons and five daughters; all were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. After his marriage John settled upon the land entered by his

page 762 (image 1034)

father-in-law, and lived upon it until 1844, when he came to Clinton County and entered 300 acres of Government land in Sugar Creek Township, and began to improve his future home. He hauled lumber from Indianapolis with which to build his house. The nearest mill was at Eagle Village. Mr. and Mrs. Reed were the parents of eleven children— Samuel (deceased), James M., George M., C. W., Francis (deceased), Ann, Mary, Elizabeth, Celia, Martha and Arrilda M. Both were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. At the age of sixty-five years, when the country needed brave and true men, Mr. Reed went out in defense of his country. He enlisted in 1862 in the Seventh Indiana Cavalry. He died in the hospital at Memphis, Tennessee, just after receiving an honorable discharge. His wife survived him two years. C. W. Reed, son of the preceding, farmer and stock-raiser, Michigan township, was born in Jennings county, Indiana, on the farm entered by his grandfather, June 23, 1833. When nine years of age, he came with his father's family to Clinton County, where his youth was spent in assisting his father in clearing and

improving his farm. He resided with his father until his marriage to Agnes W. Moncrief, of Jefferson County, Indiana, which occurred November 17, 1852. He then settled upon his present farm, which was entered by a man named Spencer. It was then a dense wilderness. He has cleared and improved it, and has a fine residence. They had five children — Willis r., William S., Frank S., Emma L. and Bird M. He lost his wife April 6, 1881, and was again married march 1882, to Miss Frances Smiley, who was born in Carroll County. Her father died when she was an infant and her mother afterward married R. S. Irwin. One child was born to this union. Mr. reed has a fine farm of 145 acres, well cultivated. He is a member of the Baptist church and his wife of the Presbyterian church. He affiliates with the Republican party.

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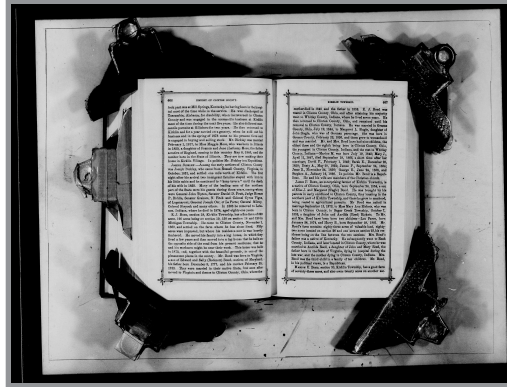


James P. Bond Biography

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Biography of James P. Bond

James P. Bond, an enterprising farmer of Kirklin Township, is a native of Clinton County, Ohio, born September 24, 1854, a son of Elias J. and Margaret (Slagle) Bond. He was brought by his parents in early childhood to Clinton County, they locating in the northern part of Kirklin Township, and there grew to manhood, being reared to agricultural pursuits. Mr. Bond was united in marriage September 15, 1872, to Miss Mary Ann Rickets, who was born in Clinton County, in Sugar Cree Township, October 7, 1852, a daughter of John and Aurilda (Reed) Rickets. To Mr. and Mrs. Bond have been born two children — Lou Favre, born January 24, 1874, and Harry B., born September 28, 1881. Mr. Bond's farm contains eighty-three acres of valuable land, eighty-two acres located on section 26 and one acre on section 23, his residence being on the line between the two sections. Mrs. Bond's father was a native of Kentucky. He subsequently went to Rush County, Indiana, and later located in Clinton County, where he was married to Aurilda Reed, a daughter of John and Mary Reed, the father born in the State of Virginia, dying in hospital during the late war, and the mother dying in Clinton County, Indiana. Mrs. Bond, was the third child in a family of ten children. Mr. Bond in his political views, is a Republican.

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Public Library Sources

Wednesday, August 17, 2022

Is the local public library on your list of repositories to search for family history information? While I don't have ancestral roots in Seneca, Kansas, the Seneca Free Library is very helpful for my research.

First, the library director agreed to submit the application to become an 'affiliate library' for FamilySearch records. By being an affiliate library, I can pack up my laptop and travel a whole sum of 0.5 miles to view many county records that are locked from my home. Check out the list of affiliate libraries to see if there is one close to your home!

Second, the Seneca Free Library paid for the digitization of the local newspaper! These digitized copies have been a tremendous help in my work with the Nemaha County Historical Society. Unlike Newspapers.com and other companies, the Seneca area newspapers are available for FREE by using the link on the library's site.

Knowing that other libraries also paid to have their local newspapers digitized, I always check the list of free newspapers maintained on Ancestor Hunt when looking for an obituary or other information on individuals in my tree.

While working to update my research for John Lewis Ricketts, I was hoping to find an obituary or other newspaper article about his life in Clinton County, Indiana. When all of my newspaper searches unearthed nothing, I decided to see what the local library in Frankfort, Indiana might have.

While the Frankfort Community Public Library did not have links to digitized newspapers on their site, they did have a page of links to genealogy resources. This page included a link to the Clinton County Court Archive Database.

Following this link, I was able to search for RICKETTS in the probate records. And I found the box/file number for a John Ricketts probate record!

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<http://engagedpatrons.org/database/FrankfortCourthouseArchives/Brief.cfm>

I then broadened my search to show Probate Records for the RICKETTS surname.

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Alcántara, Chales	1/26/1938	Photostat	Alcántara, Ana	17343A	Alcántara, Maria Jose and Chales Alcántara
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<http://engagedpatrons.org/database/FrankfortCourthouseArchives/Brief.cfm>

Curious as to what else might be contained in this database, I searched the CIVIL court records. This revealed a case where James M. Ricketts is identified as the 'Heir of Isom Gallimore'!

23 records found					
Name	Date	Record Type	Index	Serial or Case	Notes
Ricketts, Ada	11/12/1881	Civil	Clinton, Commission 5	172449	2481
Ricketts, Charles	11/12/1881	Civil	Clinton, Commission 5	172449	2481
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Ricketts, J. E.	11/12/1881	Civil	Clinton, Commission 5	172449	2481
Ricketts, James	11/12/1881	Civil	Clinton, Commission 5	172449	2481
Ricketts, James M.	11/12/1881	Civil	Clinton, Commission 5	172449	2481
Ricketts, John	11/12/1881	Civil	Clinton, Commission 5	172449	2481
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In addition to this very valuable database of court records, Frankfort Community Public Library's site indicates they have other resources in their collection, including microfilm copies of the newspapers.

CLINTON COUNTY RESOURCES (AVAILABLE INSIDE THE LIBRARY)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Microfilmed Local Newspapers (1853-present) • Frankfort High School Yearbooks (1912-present) • Clinton County High School Yearbooks • Birth Indexes (1882-1920) • Death Indexes (1882-1920) • Marriage Indexes (1830-1920) • Cemetery Records • Family Files • Census Records • Plat Books • Deed Records • Ostler Slide Collection • City Directories (1890-present) • Family Histories 	

<https://myfcpl.org/genealogy-local-history/>

I will be contacting the library to get information on how to obtain copies of the probate and civil court files! I will also inquire about a local researcher to dig into the newspapers for an obituary.

Thus, I'm reminded to check the local public library, historical society and genealogical society where I'm researching to see what resources might be available!

Thank you Frankfort Community Public Library and Clinton County (Indiana) genealogists for your work to preserve and share Clinton County history.

John and Sarah Thompson

Thursday, August 18, 2022

While digging thru my old files, I came across this biography of my fourth great grandfather, John Thompson and his wife Sarah Iglehart. While I have yet to prove all of the details in the biography, it provides lots of information about their family.

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John and Sarah Thompson

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Submitted by Milree Kessler, Irene Abbey, Neta Romer

Adams County History Book Committee, History of Adams County, Iowa 1984 (Corning, Iowa: Corning Departmental Club and Civic Department, 1984), p. 554-555.

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Friday Finds

Friday, August 19, 2022

Thompson – Ingersoll

John Lowe Thompson was born March 6, 1836, eighth child of John and Sarah Iglehart Thompson, eight years after his parents came to Adams County from Indiana. He was a civil war veteran.

On June 22, 1871, he was married to Martha Maria Ingersoll, born March 21, 1852. She was the fourth child of James and Susan S. Ingersoll. One of her baby sisters died and was buried at the cemetery south of Mount Etna, known as the Slide-Off

To the Ingersoll-Thompson union was born eight children: Vinnie Gay, Annis Bell, James Clifton, George Taylor, Charles Francis, Hattie Sylvia, Robert Lloyd, Ethel Elvereen (known as Elva). All but George and Elva spent most of their lives in Adams County.

John and Martha's first home was north and east of Mount Etna where some of the children attended Washington Township #1 School. They later moved to the place known as Ethel Thompson's farm, now occupied by Steve Mullen and family. By the early 1900's they had moved to Mount Etna in a house located across the street east of the Church of the Brethren.

John passed away December 9, 1917. Martha carried on, raising a large garden with her sons' help. In her spare time she read the Bible and kept clothing mended.

In the 30's this great-granddaughter remembers her spending much time listening to KFNF or KMA as she could no longer see well enough to read. At night she always carried her kerosene lamp and retired upstairs to bed. Great-Grandma wore ankle length dresses, usually two piece, and of dark colors, and usually an apron. She passed away May, 1936, at this home.

The couple is buried in the Mount Etna cemetery. Of their children. Jom and Charlie never married. Vinnie Gay married Cephas Davis, Annie Bell married Johnnie Sterns, George married Pearl Ward, Hattie Sylvia Fisher married Lote Hickman, Robert married Ruby Hickman Davis, Elva married Sam Gossard. By great-granddaughter, Virgene Williams.



Adams County History Book Committee, History of Adams County, Iowa 1984 (Corning, Iowa: Corning Departmental Club and Civic Department, 1984), page 555.

Also in this book are sections about some of their children:

- Francis and Martha Thompson
- Thompson Brothers

Saturday Tidbits

Saturday, August 20, 2022

1940 Draft – Nemaha County, Kansas

Courier Tribune

December 12, 1940

Draft Order

(Official List Continued)

800 Theron O. Smith
801 Lloyd Charles Ingels
802 Joseph George Lierz
803 Bruce Wilson Jones
804 Jesse Clyde Giesel
805 Jonathan Joyce Wilson
806 Elmer Fredrick Bartram
807 Cyril Barney Rilinger
808 William Harman Miller
809 Jesse John Schmidt
810 George Miller Barrett
811 John Schmitz
812 Emil Frank Lechner
813 Frederick Philip Thomas
814 Peter August Buessing
815 Dale D. Ridgway
816 Oswald Emil Thieme Jr
817 Francis Everett Jones
818 Cecil Augusts Nations
819 Albert Mathias Moynagh
820 Jesse James Heiniger
821 Lester Harold Hartter
822 William Samuel Bennett
823 Wilbert Celestine Haug
824 Fred Joseph Hasenkamp
825 Welby Floyd Kerr
826 Howard David Grose
827 Darrell Lee Bowden
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838 Floyd Raymond Eby
839 Pat Gardner McKibbin

840 Harold Daniel Scott
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842 Vernice V. McCaffrey
843 Harvard Judson Goodrich
844 Chester Wayne Sourk
845 Olin Elliott Emmert
846 Emmanueal Sebastian D[?]
847 Herman Suther
848 Lynn Eugene Allen
849 Virgil Wil[jam] Hartter

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

Sunday, August 21, 2022

It's Saturday Night –

time for more Genealogy Fun!

Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible music here) is to:

1) What are you reading this summer? Does it help your genealogy research? [Thank you to Linda Stufflebean for suggesting topics!]

I wish I could be like Randy (Geneamusings.com) and list all of these great books that I read recently but I have to admit that my 'pleasure' reading isn't related to my genealogy.

I'm a fan of C. J. Box and read his newest "Joe Pickett" book Shadow's Reel. Joe Pickett is a game warden in the mountains of Wyoming who investigates a wide variety of crimes.

Another series of books that are on my "want to read" list is the FBI series by Catherine Coulter. Having just discovered that she had a new book come out the first of the month, I've placed a copy of the book, Reckoning, on hold at my local library. I look forward to getting a notification from the library when this book becomes available.

When the libraries closed in March 2022, I switched to reading a lot of eBooks. Thankfully, my library provides access to eBooks thru two apps: Hoopla and Libby. At the time, I started reading a new author, Lisa Kleypas, based on a recommendation from a friend. I have found that I enjoy reading these romance novels set in England and/or Scotland between 1800 and 1900. While one might argue that learning about the culture and life in England during this time would help my genealogy research. However, my lines are not in England or Scotland during that time period.

Even though I haven't been reading books to help my genealogy, I did get caught up on the reading of the genealogy publications that I receive. My pile of reading had gotten pretty deep and is now down to ONE publication.

While I might create a "pile" of "to read" publications, I do use FEEDLY to read genealogy blogs on a daily basis. I also check my Twitter and Facebook feeds on a regular basis. This 'digital' reading keeps me up to date with what is happening in the genealogy world.

William Thompson

Monday, August 22, 2022

William Taylor Thompson 1 was born on 29 Dec 1820 in Ohio, Kentucky, United States. 2
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He purchased land being the north half of the North East quarter of section twenty nine in township five south of range nine west containing eight acres on 16 Nov 1841 in Warrick, Indiana, United States. 5

He sold land being the North half of the North East quarter of section number twenty nine (29) in township number five (5) south of range number nine (9) west in the district of lands subject to sale at Vincennes Indiana estimated to contain Eighty (80) acres on 24 Nov 1846 in Warrick, Indiana, United States. 6

William lived in Wapello, Iowa, United States in 1847. 2 , 7

He lived in District No. 13, Wapello County, Iowa on 31 Oct 1850. 8 William T. Thompson was listed as a 31 year old farmer born in Kentucky on the 1850 census living in District 13 in Wapello county, Iowa. According to the census, he owned \$600 in real estate. Also listed in the household was Mary, a 27 year old female born in Indiana; Sarah, a 6 year old female born in Indiana; John, a 4 year old male born in Indiana; William, a 2 year old male born in Iowa and Martha E., a 1/12 year old female born in Iowa.

He lived in Richland Township, Wapello, Iowa, United States in 1852. 9 Wm Thompson was listed on the census in Richland Township, Wapello County, Iowa. He was listed with 3 males and 3 females in the household. The household contained 1 voter and 1 militia member.

William lived in Richland Township, Wapello, Iowa, United States in 1854. 10 William T. Thompson is listed on the 1854 Iowa State census living in Richland Township, Wapello County, Iowa. The household contained 3 males and 4 females for a total of 7 individuals. There was 1 voter and 1 militia member in the household.

He sold land on 14 Mar 1854 in Wapello, Iowa, United States. 11 sold land to Jacob B. Smith being the NW corner of NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 Sect 36 Twp 7S Range 14W thence east 80 rows more or less to NE corner of said 40 acre lot thence south 40 rods to Carpenter's line thence NW to place of beginning

He lived in Richland Township, Wapello, Iowa, United States in 1856. 12 William T. Thompson was listed as a 35 year old male farmer born in Ky.

William lived in Richland Township, Wapello, Iowa, United States in Jul 1860. 13 – 14 William T Thompson was listed as a 39 year old farmer who was born in Kentucky on the 1860 census living in Richland township, Wapello County, Iowa. According to the census, William owned \$1500 in real estate and had \$300 in his personal estate. Also living in the household was Polly A., a 39 year old female born in Indiana; Sarah J. a 16 year old female born in Indiana; John E., a 15 year old male born in Indiana; William F, a 12 year old male born in Iowa; Martha, a 10 year old female born in Iowa; Julia A, a 7 year old female born in Iowa; Amanda E, a 5 year old female born in Iowa and Arcenia a 2 year old female born in Iowa.

William T Thompson was listed on the 1860 Agriculture census for Richland Township, Wapello County, Iowa. William had 80 acres of improved land and 40 acres of unimproved land for a value of \$1500. The value of his farm equipment was \$25. He owned 2 horses, 2 asses or mules, 2 milch cows, 2 other cows, 6 sheep, and 16 swine. His livestock was valued at \$275. William's land produced 25 bushels of wheat and 500 bushels of Indian corn. His sheep produced 16 pounds of wool.

He registered for the military draft in Jun 1863 in Iowa, United States. 15

He lived in Richland Township, Wapello, Iowa, United States in Jul 1870. 16 William Thompson was listed on the 1870 census as a 49 year old male farmer with \$4200 in real estate who was born in Kentucky and was listed as W. T. Thompson

William lived in Richland Township, Wapello, Iowa, United States in Jul 1880. 17 – 18 William Thompson was listed as a 59 year old farmer who was born in Kentucky on the 1880 census living in Richland Township, Wapello County, Iowa. Also listed in his household was his 58 year old wife, Polyann who was born in Indiana; his 25 year old daughter, Ellen who was born in Iowa; his 21 year old daughter, Araina, who was born in Iowa; his 19 year old daughter, Ann, who was born in Iowa and his 16 year old daughter, Clara B., who was born in Iowa.

William Thompson was listed on the agriculture census for Richland Township, Wapello County, Iowa in 1880. In 1880, he owned 70 acres of tilled land and 50 acres of pasture. The value of his farm and buildings was listed as \$2800. His implements were valued at \$200 and his livestock was valued at \$600. In 1879, William hired labor for 16 weeks of the year paying \$100. His farm produced about \$900 in income during 1879. In 1879, William had 20 acres of mown pasture, 20 acres of unmowed pasture and 30 acres of hay. William had 5 milch cows, 5 other cows and 3 calves. His cows produced 500 pounds of butter made on the farm. He also owned 30 swine and 50 barnyard poultry and 19 other poultry.

He lived in Richland Township, Wapello, Iowa, United States in 1885. 19 William T Thompson is listed on the 1885 Iowa State Census living in Richland Township, Wapello County, Iowa. According to the census, he lived in the SE SE of Township 73, Range 14 and Section [2]4. William was listed as a 64 year old farmer born in Kentucky. Also listed in the household was Polly A Thompson, a 63 year female born in Indiana and Arana Thompson, a 25 year old female whose birthplace is not listed.

He lived in Richland Township, Wapello, Iowa, United States in 1895. 20 William T Thompson is listed as a 74 year old living in Richland Township, Wapello County, Iowa in 1895. According to the census, William was born in Kentucky.

William died on 12 Sep 1898 at the age of 77. 4 , 21

He was buried at Ottumwa Cemetery in Ottumwa, Wapello, Iowa, United States. 4 , 22

He had administrators assigned to his estate on 24 Oct 1898 in Wapello, Iowa, United States. 23

William had the final report of his estate submitted on 24 Jan 1900 in Wapello, Iowa, United States. 24

He had the final report of his estate approved on 25 Jan 1900 in Ottumwa, Wapello, Iowa, United States. 25

William Taylor Thompson and Polly Ann Evans were married on 30 Oct 1842 in Warrick, Indiana, United States. 2 , 26 – 31

Polly Ann Evans, daughter of James Evans and Sarah (Sally) Garret, was born on 25 Jul 1821 in Indiana, United States. 2 , 32 – 34

She lived in District No. 13, Wapello County, Iowa on 31 Oct 1850. 35 Mary Thompson was listed as a 27 year old female born in Indiana in the household of William T. Thompson living in Wapello County, Iowa.

She lived in Richland Township, Wapello, Iowa, United States in 1856. 12 Polly A, Thompson was listed as a 34 year old female born in Indiana in the 1856 Iowa state census living in Wapello County.

Polly lived in Richland Township, Wapello, Iowa, United States in Jul 1860. 13 Polly A Thompson was listed in the household of William T Thompson on the 1860 Wapello County Iowa census. According to the census, Polly was a 39 year old female who was born in Indiana.

She lived in Richland Township, Wapello, Iowa, United States in Jul 1870. 16 P. A. Thompson was listed as a 48 year old female in the household of W. T. Thompson on the 1870 census living in Wapello County, Iowa. According to the census, she was born in Indiana.

She lived in Richland Township, Wapello, Iowa, United States in Jul 1880. 17 Polyann Thompson was listed as the wife of William Thompson on the 1880 census living in Richland Township, Wapello County, Iowa. According to the census, she was 58 years old and born in Indiana.

Polly lived in Richland Township, Wapello, Iowa, United States in 1885. 19 Polly A. Thompson was listed as a 63 year old married female born in Indiana living in the household of William T. Thompson.

She lived in Iowa, United States in 1895. 36

She died on 14 Apr 1896 at the age of 74 in Wapello, Iowa, United States. 32 – 34 , 37 – 38

Polly was buried on 16 Apr 1896 at Ottumwa Cemetery in Ottumwa, Wapello, Iowa, United States. 33 – 34 , 39

William and Sarah were the parents of the following children:

- Sarah Jane Thompson (1843-1930)
- John Evans Thompson (1845-1918)
- William F. Thompson (1848-1922)
- Martha E. Thompson (1850-1929)
- Julia A. Thompson (1853-1887)
- Amanda Ellen Thompson (1854-1907)

- Arcena M. Thompson (1858-1928)
- Polly Ann Thompson (1860-1942)
- Clara Belle Thompson (1863-1943)

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Dower Rights

Tuesday, August 23, 2022

As you research in different locations, do you ever make assumptions about the records in the new area based on your previous research experiences? That would be me when it comes to working with land records!

Over the years, I've used a lot of deeds for the sale of land to help separate men of the same name due to the wife's signature on the deed. As I was reviewing the records for my 3rd great grandfather, Alexander Briles, I came across a deed where he purchased land in Randolph County, North Carolina from a John Briles. I'm sure that when I first encountered this deed, I assumed that the grantor, John Briles, was the father of Alexander Briles.

However, as I transcribed this deed, I realized that a second John Briles was a witness to the deed. And, I realized that the deed did not contain a signature or dower release for the wife of John Briles. Trying to figure out who these two men are, I first looked in my file to see how many potential 'John Briles' I had in my file. I found that I only have two John Briles who would have been old enough to own land in 1838. One was the father of Alexander and the other was his brother. Records indicate that both were married at the time Alexander Briles purchased land from John Briles.

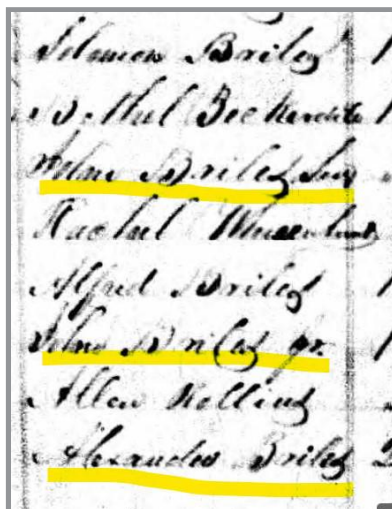
A check of the 1840 census for Randolph County, North Carolina only shows two men named John Briles living in Randolph County, NC.



The screenshot shows a search results page from the National Archives. The search term is 'Briles'. The results table has columns for 'Name', 'Where in 1840 (City, County, State)', 'Number of Males', and 'Total Number of All Persons - Free White, Free Colored, Slave'. There are two results listed, both for John Briles in Randolph County, North Carolina. The first result shows 5 males and 5 total persons. The second result shows 4 males and 4 total persons. Both results have a 'View Record' link.

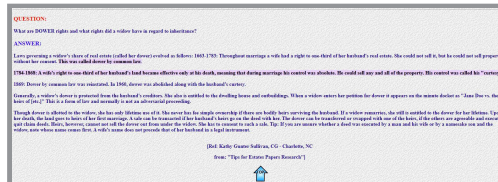
Name	Where in 1840 (City, County, State)	Number of Males	Total Number of All Persons - Free White, Free Colored, Slave
John Briles	Northern Division, Randolph, North Carolina	5	5
John Briles	Northern Division, Randolph, North Carolina	4	4

A study of the census image shows both households containing females old enough to be a wife. The image also shows the Alexander Briles listed on the same page as the two John Briles.



Thus, I'm fairly certain Alexander Briles bought land from either his father or his brother. Since the deed referenced the person who sold the land to John Briles, I looked up that deed – and again noticed the lack of a wife's signature on the deed or the release of dower. Glancing at a few other deeds, I couldn't find any with a wife's signature.

That's when I remembered how Judy Russell encourages us to know the laws in the areas we are researching. A quick Google search came up with the answer spelled out on a North Carolina GenWeb site. On the site, Kathy Gunter Sullivan, CG answers the question, "What are DOWER rights and what rights did a widow have in regard to inheritance?"



http://www.ncgenweb.us/catawba/ncq_a.htm#:~:text=This%20was%20called%20dower%20by,was%20called%20his%2022curtesy.%22

A wife's right to one-third of her husband's land became effective only at his death,

he could sell any and all of the property

Thus, at the time of these land transactions, the wife had no say as to whether the land was sold and thus was not included as a signatory on the deed. This will make it difficult to figure out which John sold the land and which John witnessed the deed!

Alexander Briles Land Purchase

Randolph County, North Carolina
Deeds, v. 19-21 1831-1939
Film 19637 DGS 7517640

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This indenture made this twenty fourth of April
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
and thirty eight between John Briles of this
County of Randolph and State of North Carolina
of the one part and Alexander Briles of the
county and state aforesaid of the other part
Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the
sum of five hundred dollars to him in hand
paid by the said Alexander Briles the receipt
whereof is hereby acknowledged hath granted
bargained and by these presents doth grant bargain
and sell allien and confirm unto the said
Alexander Briles a certain piece of parcel

of land lying and being in the County
and State aforesaid on the waters of Little
Carraway – Beginning at a black oak and
running East 146 poles to a post oak thence south
twenty six degrees East 160 poles to a pine thence south
53 poles to a black oak at the main road thence
south 40 degrees west along the main road
Crossing the creek ninety two poles to a Spanish
oak thence west 65 poles to a hickory thence
south 10 poles Spanish oak thence west 20
poles to a hickory thence south 8 poles to a white
oak thence west 60 poles to a gum thence north
260 poles to the beginning the whole 240 acres
be the same more or less it being a tract of land
purchased from Izra Dorsett by the said John
Briles together with all the appurtenances

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here unto belonging or in anywise
appertaining to have and to hold unto
the said Alexander Briles his heirs and assigns
forever and the aforesaid John Briles doth
hereby bind myself my heirs exrs & adminis
trators to warrant and defend the above bounded
premises unto the said Alexander Briles his
heirs and assigns shall and will warrant
and defend by these presents In witness
whereof the said John Briles doth hereunto
set his hand and affixed his seal the day &
year above written

John Briles (seal)

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of
John Briles
Solomon Briles

State of North Carolina

Randolph County

Court of Pleas & quarter sessions

May Term 1838

The execution of this deed was duly acknowledged
in open court & ordered to be registered
Hugh McCain Clerk

John Briles Land Purchase

Randolph County, North Carolina

Deeds, v. 19-21 1831-1939

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This Indenture made the twenty fourth of February
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred

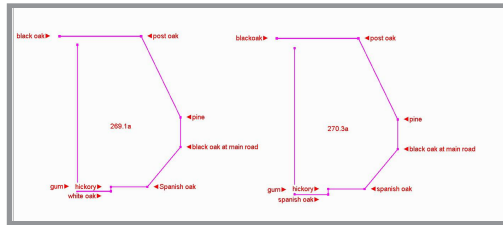
and thirty four between Ezra Dorset of the County of Randolph and State of North Caroline of the one part and John Briles of the County and state aforesaid of the other part witnesseth that for and in consideration

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of the sum of four hundred dollars to him in hand paid by the said John Briles the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged by the said Ezra Dorset and hath this day bargained and sold and delivered unto the said John Briles a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being on the waters of Little Carraway – Beginning at a black oak & runs east 146 poles to a post oak thence south 26 east 160 poles to a pine thence south 53 poles to a black oak at the main road then south 40 degrees west along the main road x the creek to a spanish oak 92 poles thence west 65 poles to a hickory then south 10 poles to a spanish oak then west 20 poles to a hickory then south 8 poles to a white oak then west 60 poles to a gum then north 260 to the place of Beginning in all 240 acres be the same more or less together with all woods wasy waters [mines] minerals and appurtenances to the said land belonging or appurtating to the said John Briles his heirs and assigns forever & and the said Ezra Dorsett doth hereby warrant and defend the title to the said land and tenement with the appurtenances to the said John Briles his heirs and assigns forever against any other person or persons whatsoever – In witness whereof the said Ezra Dorset hath hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal the day and year first above written – Ezra (his mark) Dorsett seal)
Signed Sealed & Delivered in presence of
Azial Rusuh
Julias Gregson

State of North Carolina
Randolph County
Court of Pleas 7 quarter sessions
May term 1835
The execution of this deed was dully proven in open court by Azial Rush & order to be registered
Hugh McCain CCC

Using Deed Mapper, I created a plot of these two pieces of land on the waters of the Little Caraway. The plot on the left is from the Alexander's purchase and the plot on the right is from John's purchase.



Research Notes Using Narrative Reports

Wednesday, August 24, 2022

Do you ever feel like you are playing 'catch up' with your genealogy research? I know that when I first started, I would come home from a genealogy research trip with a pile of paper notes. That pile of paper would sit for weeks (months and even years) before I would get caught up working thru it.

As I'm reviewing my 3rd great grandparents, I feel like I'm in 'catch up' mode again. That's because I'm finding poor citations and holes in my research. In the process, I'm finding that I need a set of research notes for each of these individuals so I know what I have and what I'm missing.

Since I use Scrivener to keep my research for a county/area along with transcriptions of records, I thought I could use Scrivener to keep these notes. However, after completing a few sets, I found that I either had to spend some time learning more about Scrivener or switch to a different tool. Thus, I re-watched several of Constance Knox's Genealogy TV videos about research notes.

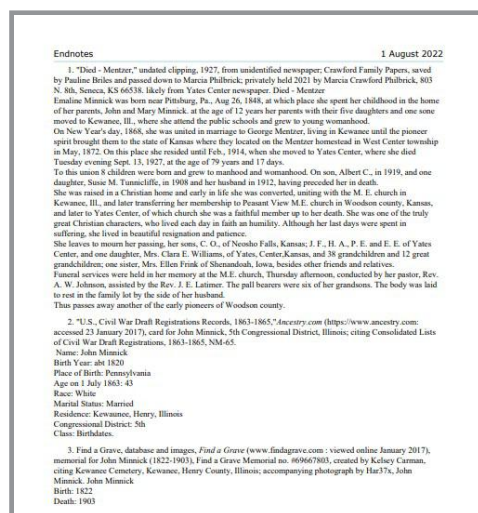
- Learn Genealogy: Research Notes
- How to Create a Research Notes Template
- Add a Table of Contents to Your Research Notes using MS Word
- Your Question Answered Part 2: About How and Why You Should Keep Good Research Notes ...

Following the tips from these videos, I started using her template ([available \\$ here](#)). I'm finding that I like using the ideas from the videos and this template better than what I was doing in Scrivener. Basically, this is due to the fact that my Word skills are better than my Scrivener skills.

In working thru the template, I was copying notes, transcriptions of records and citations from my RootsMagic program. Thus, I began wondering whether I could use a RM report to generate a set of notes. And I thought about using a Narrative Report. I attempted this process using the following settings for the narrative report.

- One Generation
- Include Notes
- New paragraph after every fact
- Include Private Facts
- Include Private Notes
- No Index
- Endnotes: Print Research Notes
- Endnotes: Print Comments
- Reuse Endnote Numbers

When it comes to the Endnotes, this creates a very MESSY report. That's because I wanted EVERYTHING that I have in RM to be included in the report, including the transcriptions of records that I put in the RESEARCH NOTE field for a citation.



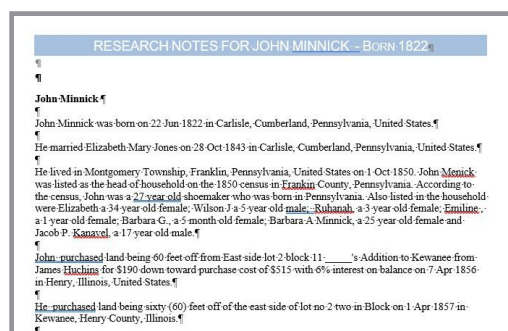
By including those research notes, I discovered that I would also have to use ENDNOTES to create the report and not footnotes. This issue was discussed on the RootsMagic Community where a power user provided a very logical explanation. (See question: Unable to generate any sort of Narrative reports on my win10 laptop)

The problem arises when the footnotes take up so much space on a page that RM's report writer gets flummoxed with pagination. That's not an issue with endnotes which can be of any length.

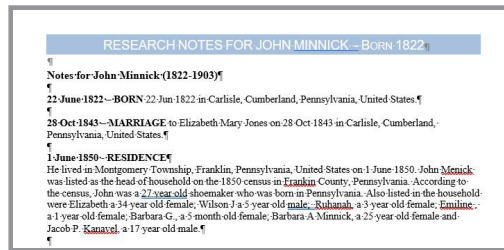
I also found that editing the document containing endnotes did not allow me to remove an endnote and thus renumber the remaining endnotes. Nor, was I able to convert the Endnotes to Footnotes.

Because of these issues with ENDNOTES, I retried creating the report using FOOTNOTES and not asking the report to include the 'research notes' attached to the citation. While this report would provide a starting point, working with the footnotes was still problematic.

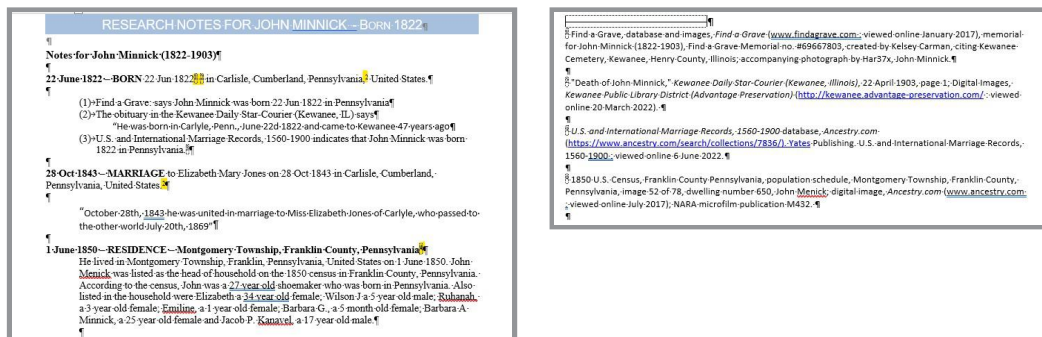
Not willing to give up, I tried creating the report without sourcing. This pulls the sentences and notes for the person that can be easily copied into the template.



Working with this document, I can add the bold headings.



As I work my way thru the document, I can see spelling and formatting errors in the RootsMagic sentences and notes. I can also add the sourcing for each event.



While creating these research notes will be time consuming, I believe that I will not only end up with better sourcing but also with a better understanding of what I'm missing.

Militia

Thursday, August 25, 2022

When researching civil war records, have you used any militia records? If you had ancestors living in Kansas during the civil war, they just might be listed in Kansas militia records.

Since my BRILES family was living in Coffey county Kansas during the civil war, I found Alexander Briles, his son, John Briles, nephew, Branson Briles, son in law, Japhet Mentzer and son-in-law, Thomas Ruggles on the muster roll for Company I of the 16th Regiment of the Kansas Militia.

Muster Roll of Captain John Douglas,
Company I
of the Sixteenth Regiment,
Kansas State Militia,
Colonel F. W. Potter
Twelfth Day of October 1864,
when last mustered to the twenty-ninth day of October 1864

Briles, John 3 Corp – Joined Sept 12, 1863 Neosho Twp; ordered into active service Oct 12th Leroy by F. W. Potter; relieved from duty Oct 29th by F W Potter
Briles, Branson Priv – joined Sept 12 1863 Neosho Twp ; ordered into active service Oct 12th Leroy by F. W. Potter; releived from duty Oct 29th by F W Potter
Mentzer, Japhet – joined Sept 12 1863 Neosho Twp ; ordered into active service Oct 12th Leroy by F. W. Potter; releived from duty Oct 29th by F W Potter
Rugles, Thomas – joined Sept 12 1863 Neosho Twp ; ordered into active service Oct 12th Leroy by F. W. Potter; releived from duty Oct 29th by F W Potter
Briles, Alexander – joined Sept 12th Neosho Twp; ordered into active service Oct 12th Leroy by F. W. Potter; relieved form duty Oct 29th by F W Potter

Muster Rolls, Price's Raid October 1864 14th thur 16th Regiments, Vol. 6 (N.p.: n.p., n.d.), page 480; digital image, Kansas Memory, kansasmemory.org viewed online 3 August 2022.

NAME	COMPANY	REGIMENT	GRADE	DATE OF ENTRY	DATE OF LEAVE	REMARKS
BRILES, JOHN	I	16th	3rd Corp	Sept 12, 1863	Oct 29, 1864	Neosho Twp; ordered into active service Oct 12th Leroy by F. W. Potter; relieved from duty Oct 29th by F W Potter
BRILES, BRANSON	I	16th	Priv	Sept 12, 1863	Oct 29, 1864	Neosho Twp; ordered into active service Oct 12th Leroy by F. W. Potter; releived from duty Oct 29th by F W Potter
MENTZER, JAPHET	I	16th		Sept 12, 1863	Oct 29, 1864	Neosho Twp; ordered into active service Oct 12th Leroy by F. W. Potter; releived from duty Oct 29th by F W Potter
RUGLES, THOMAS	I	16th		Sept 12, 1863	Oct 29, 1864	Neosho Twp; ordered into active service Oct 12th Leroy by F. W. Potter; releived from duty Oct 29th by F W Potter
BRILES, ALEXANDER	I	16th		Sept 12, 1863	Oct 29, 1864	Neosho Twp; ordered into active service Oct 12th Leroy by F. W. Potter; relieved form duty Oct 29th by F W Potter

At the time these men were mustered into service, General Sterling Price was causing havoc in Missouri in what is known as “ Price’s Raid“. A search of newspapers for “Kansas Militia” in October 1864 finds a transcript of the telegrams to the governor about the threat General Price posed to Kansas, the governors response and the order calling up the militia.

Telegrams

United States Military Telegraph

Fort Leavenworth, Oct. 8, 1864

To Governor Carney — The line is now cut this side Sedalia. This indicates a rebel move by some body west or south. Hurry up the militia.

S. R. Curtis, Maj.Gen.

United States Military Telegraph

Fort Leavenworth, Oct. 8, 1864

To Governor Carney — I request that you issue the call. Let the militia turn out. If not needed, they will of course be discharged. Their call and collection would enable us, at lest to give an impetus to Price's departure. In your prompt responses to my request heretofore. I am sure we have saved the State from desolation. Let us do it now. The enemy is near Sedalia, and a fight is expected there to-night. They have burned Syracuse, Lamine and Otterile depots to-day. You see, they seem moving steadily westward. Delay is ruinous.

S. R. Curtis, Maj. Gen.

The Leavenworth Times (Leavenworth, KS) 11 Oct 1864, page 2

Governor's Response

Kansans rally! You will do so as you have always promptly done,, when your soil has been invaded. The call, this time, will come to you louder and stronger, because you know the foe will seek to glut his vengeance upon you.

Meet him, then at the threshold and strike boldly, strike as one man against him.

Let all business be suspended. The work to be done now is to protect the State against marauder and murderer. Until that is accomplished, we must lead a soldier's life, and do a soldier's duty.

Men of Kansas, rally! One blow, one earnest, united blow, will foil the invader and save you. Who will falter? Who is not ready to meet the peril? Who will not defend his home and the State?

To arms, then ? To arms and the tentod field, until the rebel foe shall be baffled and beaten back.

Thomas Carney, Governor

N. B. – Major General Deitzler will lead the brave men of Kansas and issue the necessary orders. Commanding Officers of brigades and battalions will se that their respective commands are in readiness for immediate service.

Thomas Carney, Governor

The Leavenworth Times (Leavenworth, KS) 11 Oct 1864, page 2

Orders Calling Up the Militia

Major-General Deitzler's Order

In pursuance of this call of the Governor, the Militia of Kansas will turn out and rendezvous immediately, as follows:

Headquarters, Dep't Kansas State Militia

Topeka, Kansas Oct. 9, 1864

General Order

No. 54

In pursuance of the proclamation of the Commander-in-Chief, of the 8th inst., the Militia of Kansas will turn out and rendezvous immediately, at the points indicated below:

Doniphan, Brown, Nemaha and Marshall counties, at Atchison under Brigadier General Byron Sherry.

Atchison, Leavenworth, Jefferson, Jackson, Pottawatomie, Riley, Davis, Waubunsee, Shawnee, Douglas and Johnson counties. at Olathe, under Brigadier General M. S. Grant.

Wyandott, at Wyandott, under Major E. S. Hubbard.

Miami, Franklin, Osage, Morriss and Lyon counties, at Paola, under Brigadier General W. H. M. Fishback.

Linn, Anderson and Coffee counties, at Mound City, under Brigadier General S. N. Wood.

Bourbon Allen and Woodson counties, at Fort Scott.

Commanders of Brigades and Regiments will promptly prepare their respective commands for active service for thirty days, unless sooner discharged, and see that each man is supplied with two blankets, a tin cup, knife and fork and a haversack; and also, a coffee pot and frying pan for every five men.

Let each Regiment and detachment bring its own transportation and all the rations possible, but there must be no delay on any account. The general Government will undoubtedly pay all proper charges for such transportation and supplies, and will furnish rations and forage as far and as soon as possible, at the points indicated in this order.

Let each man come with such arms as are at hand and a full supply of ammunition. As this campaign will be a short one no change of clothing will be necessary.

Until further orders the Headquarters of the Militia will be at Olathe, to which point all returns and communications will be sent. By order of

Geo W. Dietzler, Maj Gen. K. S. M.

John T. Morton, A.A.G.

All Federal officers in this Department will aid in giving circulation and success to this effort to concentrate troops for immediate service.

Quartermasters and Commissaries will aid to the utmost of their abilities to have requisite provisions accumulated as fast as possible.

An earnest and united movement should animate officers and men — Volunteer and Militia.

Let business and personal strife be suspended; partisan discussions and political animosities avoided: and instead of impatience, fault-finding and detraction, too common among raw recruits, let every man display the fortitude, patience and endurance which distinguish the patriotic soldier engaged in the defense of his home and his Country.

The sooner this call is met the more certain will be its success; and the General earnestly appeals to soldiers and citizens to unite all their moral and physical energies in this effort to stifle the fiendish hordes that again threaten the people of Kansas and the peace of our country.

By Command of Major General Curtis.

oct11 G. S. Charlot, A.A.G

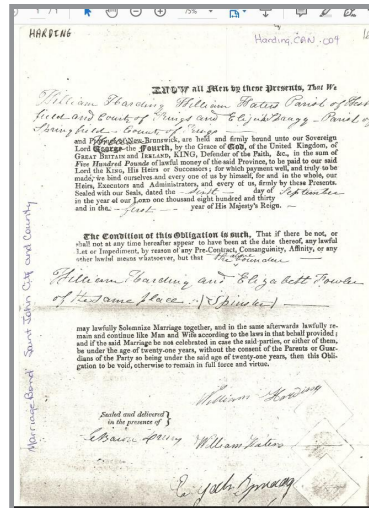
The Leavenworth Times (Leavenworth, KS) 11 Oct 1864, page 2

Many of these militia registers called up in response to General Price have been digitized and posted on the Kansas Memory site hosted by the Kansas State Historical Society.

Friday Finds

Friday, August 26, 2022

While working on research notes for my third great grandfather, William Harding, I started going thru some of my 'old' records and discovered a marriage bond for William Harding and Elizabeth Fowler.



I believe I obtained this document during a trip to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City. Since I don't have enough information to craft a good citation, I decided to see whether FamilySearch had the record available as a digitized image.

And I found it!

While the contract with FamilySearch prevented me from downloading a copy of the bond, I was able to attach it to William Harding and Elizabeth Fowler.

Marriage bonds, 1810, 1815-1816, 1823, 1830-1831, 1832 (Jan.-Sept.)
Film 1412544 – DGS 008214358

Image 390

Know all Men by these presents, that we
William Harding William Waters Parish of West-
field and County of Kings and Elijah Spragg – Parish of
Springfield County of Kings

and Province of (something scribbled thru Province) New Brunswick, are held and firmly
bound unto our Sovereign
Lord George (something scribbled thru George) the Fourth, by the Grace of God, of the
United Kingdom of
Great Britain and Ireland, KING, Defender of the Faith, \$c., in the sum of
Five Hundred Pounds of lawful money of the said Province, to be paid to our said
Lord, the King, his Heirs or Successors; for which payment well, and truly to be
made, we bind ourselves and every one of us by himself, for and in the whole, our

Heirs, Executors and Administrators, and every of us, firmly by these Presents.
Sealed with our Seals, dated the Sixth day of September
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty
and in the first year of His Majesty's Reign.

The Condition of this Obligation is such, That if there be not, or
shall not at any time hereafter appear to have been at the date thereof, any lawful
Let or Impediment, by reason of any Pre-Contract, Consanguinity, Affinity, or any
other lawful means whatsoever, but that the above bounden

William Harding and Elizabeth Fowler
of the same place (Spinster)

may lawfully Solemnize Marriage together, and in the same afterwards lawfully re-
main and continue like Man and Wife according to the laws in that behalf provided ;
and if the said Marriage be not celebrated in case the said parties, or either of them,
be under the age of twenty-one years, without the consent of the Parents or Guar-
dians of the Party so being under the said age of twenty-one years, then this Obl-
igation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

William Harding

Sealed and delivered
in the presence of

[Sebation Henry]
William Waters
Elijah Spragg

New Brunswick, Marriage bonds, 1810, 1815-1816, 1823, 1830-1831, 1832 (Jan.-Sept.).
Film #1412544 DGS 8214358. William Harding – Elizabeth Fowler, 6 Sept 1830 : image
390; digitized images, FamilySearch <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 7
August 2022.

Saturday Tidbits

Saturday, August 27, 2022

1940 Draft – Nemaha County, Kansas

Courier Tribune

December 12, 1940

Draft Order

(Official List Continued)

850 Harry August Scott
851 Robert Rickert Fellows
852 Henry John Huninghake
853 Richard Maurice Kerns
854 Leon Gerald Scheiber
855 Henry Bernard Wichman Jr
856 Lloyd B. Nightingale
857 Clyde Melvin Flott
858 Garwood David Barrett
859 Alfred John Tanking
860 James William Gafford
861 Floyd Leroy Coulter
862 Haley Skinner
863 Ronald Ernest Spickelmier
864 Glenn Lavern Allison
865 John Willis Amos
866 Robert John Guth
867 Bernard Charles O'Connor
868 August Uphaus
869 Bermin Emeral Cottrell
870 Lester Miles Bonjour
871 Clifford Jay Jameson
872 Walter Earl Lear
873 Roland Wendell McLaughlin
874 Albert Nicholas Wiltz
875 Clarence Peter Lierz
876 Lawrence Peter Woltkamp
877 Fred Anton Stuke
878 Henry Alvin Simmons
879 Albert John Schmelzle
880 John Ignatius Rottinghaus
881 Floyd Nels Hanson
882 Henry Harrison Weaver
883 Wilfred John sack
884 Henry I Germann
885 Harold Wilson Baskett
886 Herman Roland Schmidt
887 Willis C. A. Bredemeier
888 Clarence H Wiesedeppe
889 Jesse Clifford Clowe

890 Norbert Francis Boeding
891 Edward Andrew Moser
892 Joseph Olberding Jr.
893 Wilfred Joseph Lierz
894 Walter Mathias Lackey
895 Mirl Edwin Fund
896 Hiram Henry Hilbert
897 Richard Theodore Rilinger
898 Alton Milford Bell
899 Edward Joseph Becker
900 Raymond Earl Talley

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

Sunday, August 28, 2022

It's Saturday Night

time for Genealogy Fun

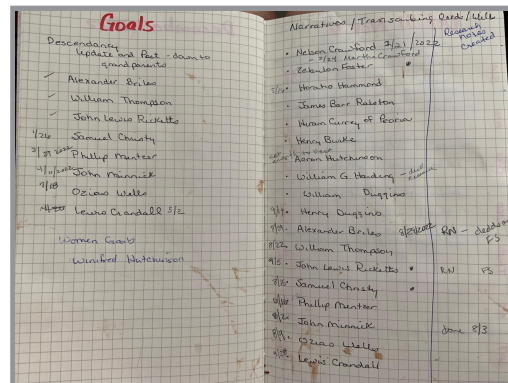
Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible music here) is to:

1) What is next on your genealogy “To Do” list? [Thank you to Linda Stufflebean for suggesting topics!]

Since my 'to-do' list is driven by my 2022 goals, I'm turning to that list of goals to answer this question. While I have completed the descendency research on my goal list, I am still working on the narrative reports for the following individuals in my tree:

- William Duggins (step-son of my ancestor, James Crawford)
- William G. Harding
- Henry Burke
- Hiram M. Currey of Peoria, Illinois
- James Barr Ralston
- Zebulon Foster

While it will be fairly easy to update my records for most of these individuals, some of them are still unfinished because I need to get copies of deeds and possibly do more deed research. Thus, my to-do list includes trips to my local library to do that deed research.



As I've recently been working on the DUGGINS step-sons of my ancestor, James Crawford, I'm finding information on members of my CRAWFORD FAN club in Preble County, Ohio. That information is helping me 'fine-tune' the timeline for their arrival in Ohio.

With this knowledge, I want to go back thru the Barren County, Kentucky deeds to redo the search for the 50 acres of land on the Marrowbone attributed to Crawford, James Jr on the 1805 tax list.

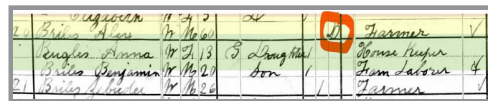
Divorced

Monday, August 29, 2022

Have you encountered a hint on a census record that you've yet to prove? That's my situation with the 1880 census record for Alexander Briles.

Alex Briles was listed as a head of household on the 1880 census in Coffey county, Kansas. According to the census, Alex was a 60 year old **divorced** male farmer who was born in North Carolina. Alex's household included his granddaughter, Anna Ruggles, a 13 year old female and his son, Benjamin Briles, aged 26.

1880 U.S. Census, Coffey County, Kansas, population schedule, Neosho Township, Coffey County, Kansas, page 68 Image 4 of 9, household 513, Alexander Briles; digital image, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com : viewed online July 2017); NARA microfilm publication M653



1	Briles Alex	11 4 2	60	div	Farmer	✓
2	Ruggles Anna	11 21 13	13	Daughter	Domestic Worker	✓
3	Briles Benjamin	11 16 21	26	Son	Farmer	✓

Since Alexander's first wife, Sarah died in 1872, the census record hints at a second marriage and subsequent divorce. While I haven't located an image of a marriage record for Alexander, I did find an index record. According to that index, Alexander Briles married Elizabeth Eltzworth (Ellsworth) on May 30, 1875 in Coffey County, Kansas.

Alexander Briles

Vital • Kansas Marriages, 1840-1935

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Name	Alexander Briles
Sex	Male
Spouse's Name	Elizabeth Eltzworth
Spouse's Sex	Female
Marriage Date	30 May 1875
Marriage Place	Coffey, Kansas, United States
Event Type	Marriage
Reference	Items 2-3

Kansas Marriages, 1840-1935 index (<http://familysearch.org>: FamilySearch), Alexander Briles – Elizabeth Eltzworth

Unfortunately, these records have not been digitized. Thus, I have yet to obtain a copy of the license. However, a deed supports the marriage of Alexander and Elizabeth. On 1 Jan 1877, Alexander Briles and Elizabeth M. Briles, his wife, sold land to Alexander's son, Robert A. Briles.

This indenture, made this thirty first day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy seven between **Alexander Briles and Elizabeth M Briles his wife** of the county of Coffey and state of Kansas of the first part, and Robert A Briles of

same place of the second part, witnesseth that the parties of the first part, in consideration of the sum of two hundred (200) dollars to them duly paid, have bargained and sole, and by these presents do grant and convey to the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns, all that land or parcel of land situated in Coffey County and State of Kansas and described as follows, to wit:

The South East quarter of the North East Quarter of section twelve (12) in Township twenty three (23) of range fifteen (15) containing 40 acres more or less.

With the appurtenances, and all the estate, title and interest, of the said parties of the first part therein. And the said Alexander Briles does hereby covenant and agree, that at the delivery hereof he is the lawful owner of the premises above granted, and seized of a good and indefensible estate of inheritance therein, in fee simple, and that the same are free and clear of all encumbrances, and that he will warrant defend the same in the quiet and peaceable possession of said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever, against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever.

In witness whereof the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year above written.

Alexander Briles (seal)

Elizabet M Briles (seal)

State of Kansas

Coffey County

On this 31st day of January AD 1877 before me a notary public in and for said county, personally came Alexander Briles and Elizabeth M Briles his wife to me personally known to be the same person above named and affixed to the foregoing conveyance as grantors and they duly acknowledge the execution of the same.

In testimony, whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my official seal on the day and year last above written.

Wm H Bear

Notary Public

The testament, of which the foregoing is a true copy, was filed for record on the 31st day of January 1877, at 3 o'clock and 0 minutes p M.

Wm H Bear

Kansas, Coffey County. Deed Records, 1857-1903. Film #1510473 DGS 8561300. Alexander Briles to Robert Briles, 31 January 1877 Vo. 17: page 542; digitized images, FamilySearch <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 3 August 2022.

Since the 1880 census record indicates that Alexander Briles was divorced, that divorce had to have taken place sometime between the time Alexander and Elizabeth, his wife, sold land to Robert and June of 1880. A clue to that divorce may be in another deed. In this case, Alexander Briles sold 30 acres of land to Elizabeth M. Briles. Unlike the earlier deed, Elizabeth M. Briles is not referred to as Alexander's wife.

Page 330 – image 271

This Indenture, made this 2nd day of December in the year of
our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy nine, between Alexander Briles
of the County of Coffey
and state of Kansas of the first part, and Elizabeth M. Briles
of the same place

of the second part: Witnesseth, that the party of the first part, in consideration of the sum
of

Two Hundred dollars

to him duly paid has bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant and convey to

the said
party of the second part his heirs and assigns, all that tract or parcel of land, situated in
Coffey
County, and State of Kansas and described as follows, to wit:
Commencing at the south east corner of the north
east quarter of the north east quarter of section
seven in township twenty three of range sixteen
thence west to 4 rods East of the center of said quarter
section (being the southwest corner of said NE quarter
of NE quarter section) thence north to the middle or
channel of Turkey Creek, thence down the channel
of said creek to the point where the same crosses the north
line of said section, thence East to the point where said
north line of section intersects the channel of said Tur-
key creek, thence down the channel of said creek to
point where the same crosses the East line of said section
thence south to place of beginning containing 30 acres
more or less
with the appurtenances, and all the estate, title and interest of said part of the first part
therein And
the said Alexander Briles
do hereby covenant and agree, that at the delivery hereof, he is the lawful owner of the
premises
above granted, and seized of a good and indefeasible estate of inheritance therein in fee
simple, and that the
same are free and clear of all incumbrances,, and that he will warrant and defend the
same in the
quiet and peaceable possession of said party of the second part, her heirs and assigns
forever, against
the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever.
In witness whereof, the said party of the first part has hereunto set hand and seal
the day and year above written.
Alexander Briles

State of Kansas, Coffey County
On this 2nd day of December A.D. 1879, before me, a
Notary Public in and for said County, personally came
Alexander Briles
to me personally known to be the same person whose name is affixed
to the foregoing conveyance as grantor and he duly acknowledged the execution of the
same.
In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my
seal, on the day and year last above written.
S. C. Junkins
Notary Public
The instrument of which the foregoing is a true copy, was filed for record on the 3rd
day of December 1879, at 5 ou8217clock and 0 minutes P.M.
Wm H. Bear Register of Deeds
By M. L. B. Floyd Deputy
Entered in Transfer record in my office on this 3rd day of Dec. A.D. 1879
Wm. H. Throckmorton County Clerk

Kansas, Coffey County. Deed Records, 1857-1903. Film #1510476 DGS 8561303. Alexander Briles, 2 Dec 1879 Vol. 25: page 330; digitized images, FamilySearch <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 5 August 2022.

Based on this 1879 deed, I think Alexander and Elizabeth were likely divorced around the time the 30 acres of land was sold to Elizabeth. However, I will need to locate a record of the divorce to confirm that suspicion.

Alexander Briles

Tuesday, August 30, 2022

Alexander Briles was born on 14 Mar 1817 in North Carolina, United States. 1 – 3

He purchased on 24 Apr 1838 in Randolph county, North Carolina. 4 land being parcel of 240 acres John Briles purchased from Ezra Dorsett for \$500 from John Briles

He lived in Randolph county, North Carolina on 1 Jun 1840. 5 Alexander Briles was listed as a head of household on the 1840 census in Randolph County, North Carolina. Alexander's household included 2 males under 5, 1 male 20-30, and 1 female 20-30.

Alexander lived in Randolph county, North Carolina on 1 Jun 1850. 6 Alexr Briles was listed as the head of household on the 1850 census in Randolph County, NC. According to the census, Alexr was a 32 year old farmer born in North Carolina. Alexr owned \$500 in real estate. Also listed in the household was Sarah, a 32 year old female; Clark, a 12 year old male; Washington, a 10 year old male; Sarah, an 8 year old female; John, a 6 year old male; Jane, a 4 year old female and Robt, an 1 year old male.

He sold land on 1 Sep 1857 in Randolph county, North Carolina. 7 land being 240 acres on waters of Little Caraway for \$1000 to Robert Laughlin

He lived in Neosho Township, Coffey County, Kansas Territory in Mar 1858. 8 According to the 1859 Kansas Territorial census for Coffey County, Alex Briles settled there in March 1858.

Alexander lived in Coffey County, Kansas Territory before 1859. 9

He lived in Neosho Township, Coffey County, Kansas Territory in 1859. 8 , 10 Alex Briles was listed on the 1859 Kansas territory census in Coffey County. According to the census, Alexander settled in Kansas in March 1858 with 8 minors in the household and a total of 10 in the household.

He lived in Neosho Township, Coffey County, Kansas Territory in 1860. 11 A. Briles was listed as a head of household on the 1860 census in Coffey County, Kansas Territory. According to the census, A. Briles, was 43 years old and born in North Carolina. He owned \$800 in real estate. Also listed in the household were Sarah, D.C., N.W., S.R., J.F., Louisa, R.A., H.W., Z.R>, N.C. and B.R. Briles.

In 1860 Alexander was a farmer in Coffey, Kansas, United States. 2 , 11

He filed land entry papers on 1 Dec 1860 in Fort Scott, Bourbon, Kansas, United States. 12 – 13

He served in the military under Captain John Douglas in Company I of the Kansas State Militia in 1864 in Kansas, United States. 14 under Captain John Douglas in Company I of the Kansas State Militia

Alexander lived in Neosho Township, Coffey County, Kansas in 1865. 15 Alexander Bryles was listed in the 1865 Kansas census living in Neosho Township, Coffey County, Kansas as a 47 year old farmer born in North Carolina. According to the census, he

owned \$2800 in real estate and \$1300 in personal estate. Also listed in the household was his wife, Sarah Briles, a 48 year old female born in North Carolina; Louisa Bryles, a 19 year old female born in North Carolina; Robert Bryles, a 16 year old male born in North Carolina; Harrison Bryles, a 14 year old male born in North Carolina; Zebeder Bryles, a 12 year old male born in North Carolina; Nancy Bryles, a 10 year old female born in North Carolina and Benj Bryles, a 5 year old male born in Kansas.

He sold land W1/2 NE 1/4 Section 12 Township 23 of Range 15 East on 20 Sep 1869 in Coffey County, Kansas. 16

He sold land being the NE1/4 NE 1/4 Section 12 Township 23 Range 15 East on 20 Sep 1869 in Coffey County, Kansas. 17 – 18

Alexander lived in Neosho Township, Coffey County, Kansas on 26 Jun 1870. 19 – 20 Alexander Briles is listed as a 53 year old farmer on the 1870 census living in Neosho Township, Coffey County, Kansas. According to the census, Alexander was born in North Carolina. Also listed in the household were Sarah, a 53 year old female; Robbert, a 21 year old male; Harrison, an 18 year old male; Zobebede, a 16 year old male; Nancy, a 14 year old female and Benjamin, a 10 year old male.

He lived in Neosho Township, Coffey County, Kansas on 1 Mar 1875. 21 Alexander Briles was listed as the head of household on the 1875 Kansas census in Coffey County, Kansas. According to the census, Alexander was a 57 year old male farmer born in North Carolina. Alexander owned \$4,000 in real estate and \$1,000 in personal property. Alexander's household included 15 year old Benj Briles.

He sold land being the SE1/4NE1/4 Section 12 Township 23 Range 15 on 31 Jan 1877 in Coffey County, Kansas. 22

Alexander sold land land being the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 Section 7 Township 23 Range 16 to Benj R. Briles on 25 Nov 1879 in Coffey County, Kansas. 23

He sold land land being 30 acres in section 7 township 23 of range 16 to Elizabeth M. Briles on 22 Dec 1879 in Coffey County, Kansas. 24

He lived in Neosho Township, Coffey County, Kansas on 2 Jun 1880. 25 Alex Briles was listed as a head of household on the 1880 census in Coffey county, Kansas. According to the census, Alex was a 60 year old divorced male farmer who was born in North Carolina. Alex's household included his granddaughter, Anna Ruggles, a 13 year old female and his son, Benjamin Briles, aged 26.

Alexander lived in Neosho Township, Coffey County, Kansas on 1 Jul 1895. 26 Alex Briles is listed as a 70 year old male living in the household of H. W. Briles on the 1895 census in Neosho Township, Coffey County, Kansas. According to the census, Alex was born in North Carolina.

He sold land on 5 Oct 1898 in Coffey County, Kansas. 27 land being 2 1/2 acres in the norhteast corner of the Northeast 1/4 Section 7 Township 23 Range 16 to Mary Ann Briles

He died on 14 Jan 1900 at the age of 82 in Neosho Township, Coffey County, Kansas. 3 , 28 – 32

Alexander was buried on 15 Jan 1900 at Big Creek Cemetery in Coffey County, Kansas.
3 , 32

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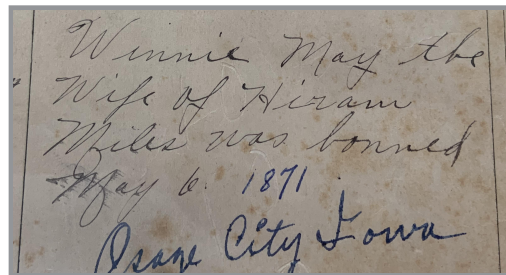
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Two Wives

Wednesday, August 31, 2022

Have you ever tried to re-create your steps to a genealogy conclusion? As I'm working thru my research of my third grandfather, William G. Harding, I'm trying to re-create the research steps that has led me to conclude that he had two wives.

My research of William G. Harding's family would have started with his daughter Julia. Researching Julia Harding Hutchinson is where my genealogy quest began. Her granddaughter, my grandmother, wanted to know where Julia was buried. Since my grandmother lost her mother at the age of 10, she knew very little about her mother's family. The one piece of information that was recorded in the CURREY family Bible was that Winnie May (my grandmother's mother) was born in 1871. The added location of birth was likely written in by my grandmother.



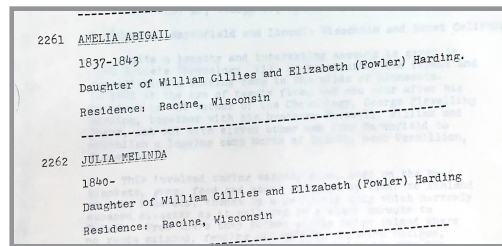
Starting with that lone piece of information, I began to learn about Winnie's family and was able to identify her mother as Julia Harding Hutchinson. The 1880 census record for Mitchell county, Iowa shows a 9 year old Winnie Huchardson living in the household of Albert and Julia Huchardson. Julia was listed as a 40 year old born in New Brunswick. Back tracing, Julia and Albert were found on the 1860 census living in Black Hawk County, Iowa where they were married in 1859.

Julia's place of birth was a key fact that helped me begin to identify her siblings and parents. Also living in Black Hawk county, Iowa in 1860 was the Wm G Harding family. Wm G Harding's birthplace was listed as New Brunswick. The household also included:

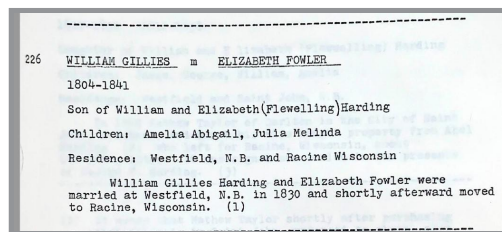
- Elizabeth Harding – age 38 and born in Scotland
- Thomas Harding – age 21 and born in New Brunswick
- Joseph Ponsford – age 19 and born in New Brunswick
- Rachel Ponsford – age 16 and born in New Brunswick
- Henry Harding – age 14 and born in New Brunswick
- Walter Ponsford – age 13 and born in New Brunswick
- Alexander H. Ponsford – age 10 and born in New Brunswick
- Hattie Harding – age 3 and born in Wisconsin

Hearing about a genealogy of the Harding family of New Brunswick, I purchased a copy. This two volume work by Mrs. Raymond Caron and Brenda Caron is a descendency of George and William Harding of New York and New Brunswick. In addition, this work provides a lot of historical information about these two men and how they became Loyalists during the revolutionary war and their eventual removal from New York to New Brunswick. While I had grand hopes of finding Julia Harding in this work, I was somewhat disappointed.

Below is the information for the only Julia Harding that could fit with what I already knew about Julia Harding Hutchinson.



Following the numbering system, I located the information for William Gillies Harding in the book.



While the book identifies a mother for Julia, it only indicates 2 children for William Gillies Harding. It also implies that the family left New Brunswick for Wisconsin shortly after 1830. Based on this information, I should have been able to find a Julia Harding in the household of a William Harding living in Wisconsin in 1850. Instead, the only census record of the time that I've found placing a young Julia Harding born in New Brunswick in the household of a William Harding is the 1851 census for Kings County, New Brunswick. That census record has the following living in the household:

- William G. Harding – age 47
- Caroline Harding – age 20
- Abel Harding – age 18
- Thomas Harding – age 16
- Alijah Harding – age 14
- Julia Harding – age 11
- Isabella Harding – age 9
- Henry Harding – age 5

While the 1860 census for William G. Harding has a potential wife, Elizabeth, listed in the household, the 1851 census does not list an Elizabeth as a potential wife. In addition, the 1851 census record does not list any female old enough to be the mother of all of the other members of the household.

Thus, additional records are needed to prove or disprove that the 1860 census, the information from the book and the 1851 census all piece together one family. The obituary for Mrs. Eliza Harding helps to explain the household found in the 1860 census.

Deaths

Mr[s]. Eliza Harding, mother of Joseph and A. H. Ponsford, died at her residence, in Mt. Vernon twp., Monday morning at 6 o'clock, after a long sickness. Deceased was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, in 1817, and came to this county with her husband, Wm. Harding, in

1858, and has resided on the same farm ever since. She leaves seven children, A. H. Ponsford, Mrs. W. H. Stickney, Minnie and Hattie Harding, all of this county, Jos. Ponsford and W. F. Ponsford of Kimball, and Mrs. Sarah Wilber, of Wisconsin.

"Deaths," Iowa State Reporter (Waterloo, IA), 26 May 1887, page 7; digital image, NewspaperArchive (newspaperarchive.com : viewed online 5 August 2022).

Since several of the sons carry the PONSFORD surname, I believe that Eliza Harding's marriage to Wm Harding was a second marriage. That would explain why there is an Elizabeth listed in the 1860 census but missing from the 1851 census.

During one of my trips to the Family History Library at Salt Lake, I discovered a deed that proves that the 1851 census and the 1860 census are the same family and that Eliza was the second wife!

Know all men by these presents; that Julia E. Flewwelling of Nyack Rockland County New York have made constituted and appointed and by these presents do make constitute and appoint Abel Harding of Racine, State of Wisconsin my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name, place and stead to sell my Farm in Black hawk County, Iowa for the best price he can obtain for the same either for all cash, or part cash and Bond and Mortgage to secure the balance and to execute good and sufficient Deed to the purchaser or purchasers thereof in my name and in my act an Deed the proceeds of such sale to be divided into nine equal parts and be distributed by my said Attorney as follows, **one ninth to the widow of William Harding of Waterloo Blackhawk County and one ninth thereof to each of the eight children of said William Harding viz: Caroline Spragg, Abel Harding, Thomas F Harding, Julia Hutchins, Isabella Palmer and Henry Harding (children by the first wife of said William Harding) Hatty C Harding Minnie [T]Harding children by his second wife** should a mortgage be taken by my said attorney, I authorize and empower him to arrange with the said children to take the same on account of their share in such proceeds or to convert said mortgage in cash by assigning the same, as he shall deem best, giving and granting unto my said attorney full power and authority to do

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and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises as fully to all intents and purposes, as I might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution and revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that my said attorney or his substitute shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

In Testimony, Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 22d day of October in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty six
Julia E Flewwelling

W. S. Rev Stanit
\$1.00 J E F Oct 22
1866

Sealed and delivered in the presence of

W. Mackay
Rose S Maquire

State of New York

City and county of New York

I Charles Nettleson Commissioner for

Iowa in New York do hereby certify that on this twenty third day of October A.D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty six it was satisfactorily proved before me by the oath of W. Mackay personally known to me to be a credible and disinterested witness and to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument as a witness thereto that Julia E. Flewwelling now absent her residence being in Nyack, Rockland County, New York is personally known to him to be the identical person whose name is affixed to the within Instrument appointor and that the same was executed by the said Julia E. Flewwelling whose name is thereunto subscribed as appointer in the presence of said W. Mackay who subscribed his name to such instrument as a witness thereof at the date therein mentioned.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 23d day of October A.D. 1866

Charles Nettleson

SS

Commissioner for Iowa in New York

Filed for Record Nov. 3d 1866 at 2 1/2 o'clock P.M.

Iowa, Black Hawk County. Deed records, 1853-1908. Film #1034556 DGS 795355. Julia Flewwelling, 22 Oct 1866 Vol. Q: pages 455-456; digitized images, FamilySearch <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 6 August 2022.

Thus, I believe the following:

- William G. Harding had two wives. The first is likely Elizabeth Fowler as identified in the Harding Genealogy and the second is Eliza, mother of the Ponsford children.
- The mother of Julia and her siblings Caroline, Abel, Thomas, Abigail, Isabella and William Henry, likely died before 1846 in New Brunswick and thus isn't listed with the family on the 1851 census.
- Elizabeth Fowler Harding is not buried in Black Hawk County, Iowa but likely buried in New Brunswick.

While the Flewwelling deed provides a wealth of information, more records are needed to support this family.

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John Lewis Ricketts

Thursday, September 01, 2022

John Lewis Ricketts was born on 22 Nov 1812 in Fleming, Kentucky, United States. 1 – 2

He migrated about 1830 to in Rush, Indiana, United States. 2

He filed land entry papers for the E SW 80 acres / original entry 2/26/1845 for ENW 57.95 acres on 2 Jan 1845 in Clinton, Indiana, United States. 3 E Sw – 80 acres / original entry 2/26/1845 for ENW 57.95 acres

John was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Clinton, Indiana, United States. 2

He lived in Sugar Creek Township, Clinton, Indiana, United States in Jul 1850. 4 John Ricketts was listed as the head of household on the 1850 Clinton County Indiana census. According to the census, John was a 37 year old male farmer with \$850 in real estate who was born in Kentucky. Also listed in the household was Arilda a 22 year old female; James a 3 year old male born in Indiana and Prissilla a 9/12 year old female born in Indiana.

He lived in Sugar Creek Township, Clinton, Indiana, United States in Jul 1860. 5 John Ricketts was listed as the head of household on the 1860 census in Clinton County, Indiana. According to the census, John was a 48 year old male farmer with \$1000 in real estate who was born in Kentucky. Also listed in the household were Arrilda a 25 year old female born in Indiana, James a 12 year old male born in Indiana, Jane a 10 year old female born in Indiana, Mary A. an 8 year old female born in Indiana, Lewis a 5 year old male born in Indiana, Edward a 4 year old male born in Indiana and Nathaniel a 6/12 year old male born in Indiana.

John lived in Sugar Creek Township, Clinton, Indiana, United States on 1 Jul 1870. 6 John Ricketts was listed as the head of household on the 1870 Clinton County, Indiana census. According to the census, John was a 58 year old male farmer with \$6300 in real estate who was born in Kentucky. Also listed in the household were Rilda R. a 43 year old femlae born in Indiana, Mary A. an 18 year old female born in Indiana, William [S] a 15 year old male born in Indiana, John E. a 13 year old male born in Indiana, Joseph H. a 9 year old male born in Indiana, Clemuel a 6 year old male born in Indiana, Sarah E. a 4 year old female born in Indiana, Addie M. a 2 year old female born in Indiana and Charles Ricketts an 8/12 year old male born in Indiana.

He was a member of the Republican party. 2

He lived in Sugar Creek Township, Clinton, Indiana, United States on 7 Jun 1880. 7 John Ricketts was listed as the head of household on the 1880 census in Clinton County, Indiana. According to the census, John was a 67 year old farmer born in Kentucky. Also listed in the household was his wife Arilda, age 52 and born in Indiana; his sons Lewis, age 24 born in Indiana; Joseph, age 19 born in Indiana; Charles age 10 born in Indiana; and daughters Sarah, age 14 born in Indiana; and Addie M, age 12 born in Indiana.

John died on 23 Dec 1888 at the age of 76 in Clinton, Indiana, United States. 1

He was buried after 23 Dec 1888 at Baker Cemetery in Scircleville, Clinton, Indiana, United States. 1

John Lewis Ricketts and Orilda Matilda Reed obtained a marriage license on 24 Nov 1846 in Clinton, Indiana, United States. 8

They were married on 3 Dec 1846 in Clinton, Indiana, United States. 2 , 8 – 14

Orilda Matilda Reed, daughter of John C. Reed and Mary Buckles, was born on 20 Jan 1828 in Jennings, Indiana, United States. 2 , 15 – 17

She lived in Sugar Creek Township, Clinton, Indiana, United States in Jul 1850. 4 Arilda Ricketts was listed in the household of John Ricketts on the 1850 Clinton County, Indiana Census. According to the census, Arilda was 22 years old and born in Indiana.

She lived a 25 year old female born Indiana and was listed as Arvilda Ricketts in Sugar Creek Township, Clinton, Indiana, United States in Jul 1860. 5

Orilda lived a 42 year old female born Indiana and was listed as Rilda R. Ricketts in Sugar Creek Township, Clinton, Indiana, United States on 1 Jul 1870. 6

She lived in Sugar Creek Township, Clinton, Indiana, United States on 7 Jun 1880. 7 Arilda Ricketts was listed as the wife of John Ricketts on the 1880 Clinton County, Indiana census. According to the census, Arilda was 52 years old and born in Indiana.

She lived in Sugar Creek Township, Clinton, Indiana, United States on 12 Jun 1900. 18 Orilda Ricketts was listed as a head of household on the 1900 Clinton County Indiana census. According to the census, Orilda was a 73 year old widow born in Indiana. Also listed in the household was a daughter, Addie, a grandson, Charles Q Chambers, and servant Louisa Scott and son Paul Scott.

Orilda died on 28 Jun 1900 at the age of 72 in Clinton, Indiana, United States. 17 , 19 – 20

She was buried after 3 Jul 1900 at Baker Cemetery in Scircleville, Clinton, Indiana, United States. 17

Children of John and Orilda Ricketts:

- James Marshall Ricketts (1847-1920)
- Priscilla Jane Ricketts (1849-1928)
- Mary Ann (Mollie) Ricketts (1851-1933)
- William Lewis Ricketts (1855-1938)
- John Edward Ricketts (1857-1930)
- Nathaniel Ricketts (1859-1862)
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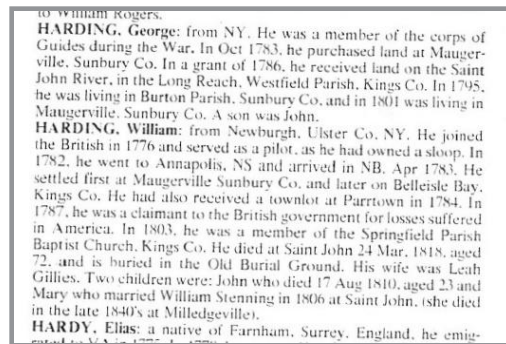
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Friday Finds

Friday, September 02, 2022

While digging thru my HARDING files, I found a photocopy of page 66 from the book, New Brunswick Loyalists: A Bicentennial Tribute by Sharon Dubeau.



Harding, George: from NY. He was a member of the corps of Guides during the War. In Oct 1783, he purchased land at Mauderville, Sunbury Co. In a grant of 1786, he received land on Saint John River, in the Long Reach, Westfield Parish, Kings Co. In 1795, he was living in Burton Parish, Sunbury Co. and in 1801 was living in Mauderville, Sunbury Co. A son was John.

Dubeau Sharon, New Brunswick Loyalists: A Bicentennial Tribute (Agincourt, Ontario: Generation Press, 1983), pae 66 – Harding.

Harding, William: from Newburgh, Ulster CO. NY. He joined the British in 1776 and served as a pilot, as he had owned a sloop. IN 1782, he went to Annapolis, NS and arrived in NB. Apr 1783. He settled first at Mauderville Sunbury Co. and later on Belleisle Bay, kings CO. He had also received a townlot at Parrtown in 1784. In 1784, he was a claimant to the British government for losses suffered in America. In 1803, he was a member of the Springfield Parish Baptist Church, Kings Co. He died at Saint John 24 Mar, 1818, aged 72, and is buried in the Old Burial Ground. His wife was Leah Gillies. two children were: John who died 17 Aug 1810, aged 23 and Mary who married William Stenning in 1806 at St. John. (She died in the late 1840's at Milledgeville)

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Saturday Tidbits

Saturday, September 03, 2022

1940 Draft

Continued

Courier Tribune
December 26, 1940

Draft Order
(Official List Continued)

There had been no call yesterday for any draftees from Nemaha County. Three men for the draft have recently enlisted in the Sabetha battery and will reduce the quota from this county. The three are Floyd Ivel Baumgartner of Oneida, Harold Dean Vernon of Goff, Max Elvin Gutknecht of Sabetha.

951 Raymond John Vandervort
952 Lawrence Earl Scott
953 Leo Arthur Spring
954 Bernice W. Bredemeier
55 Wendell Bernard Peterson
956 Donald S. Struck
957 Vernon H. Rannebeck
958 Julius Oliver Burger
959 Francis Andrew Melcher
960 Maurice Earl Hoskins
961 Erwin Walter Flentie
962 Clement Anthony Olberding
963 Eugene Edward Stallbaumer
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969 Walter Edward Vernon
970 Kenneth R. Shockey
971 Earl Oscar Keeney
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973 Robert Edward Foltz
974 Lester Joseph Bergman
975 Lawrence Edward Savage
976 Benton Frank Luse
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978 Clyde Boggs
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1049 Virgil Vernon Holliday
1050 August Kramer Jr.

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

Sunday, September 04, 2022

It's Saturday Night –



time for more Genealogy Fun!

Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible music here) is to:

1) What genealogical discovery surprised you? [Thank you to Linda Stufflebean for suggesting topics!]

This question almost stumped me. However, thinking back thru my research, there are some records that provided a surprising bit of information. This first document was a Garrard County, Kentucky deed for the sale of land by Rebecca and James Crawford.

Garrard County Kentucky
Deed book A page 605

This indenture made this 27th day of September Anno Dom **1804** between **Rebecca Crawford and James Crawford of the County of Barren** and Commonwealth of Kentucky of the one part and Rubin Arnold of the County of Garrard and Commonwealth afore said of the other part witnesseth that the said Rebecca and James Crawford for and in consideration of the sum of twelve pounds current money of Kentucky to them in hand the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge and for them selves their heirs do freely clearly and absolutely bargain and sell unto the afore said Ruebin Arnold and unto his heirs and assigns for ever one certain tract or parcel of land containing by survey five acres and an half situate lying and being in the county of Garrard on the waters of Boon mill Seat Creek and is bounded as follows (to wit) beginning at an Elm and two Beech trees now a corner to Reubin Arnold formerly a corner of John Matthews form thence north thirty six degrees East thirty poles to a Buck and Sugar tree near the Hickman Road from thence keeping on

the south side of said Road as it meanders to a large Black walnut standing on the south side of the said road in the line of Myer's preemption from thence north four degrees west sixty poles to the beginning with its appertanances to him the said Reuben Arnold and unto his heirs and assigns for ever to have and to hold and to hold the said five and an half acres of land with al and every of its appertanances rites and members unto him the said Reuben Arnold and unto his heirs and assigns forever and the said Rebecca and James Crawford for them selves their heirs do and shall and with by these presents for ever warrant and defend the title of the aforesaid land and premises agst the claim of all and every person or persons whatsoever that shall or may claim hereafter the same unto the afore said Reuben Arnold and unto his heirs & assigns forever In testimony where of the said Rebecca and James Crawford have here unto set their hand and affixed their seals the day and year above written
Rebecca (her mark) Crawford seal
James Crawford Seal
Signed Sealed and acknowledged
in the presents of

This indenture of bargain and sale from Rebecca and James Crawford to Reuben Arnold was acknowledged in my office the 26th day of sept 1804 and ordered to record
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Kentucky, Garrard. Book of Deeds. Film #183242 (DGS 7899064). Crawford ro Arnold, 27 Oct 1804; Vol A: page 605 (image 314); digital images, Family Search <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online February 2019.

This deed by itself does not prove anything since there are multiple men named James Crawford living in the area of Garrard County Kentucky prior to 1800 along with at least two women named Rebekah Crawford.

- James Crawford and wife Rebecca Anderson
- Rebekah Crawford, land owner in Garrard County, KY
- James Crawford and wife Martha Knight
- James Crawford and wife Sally Duggins

And it doesn't help that all three James Crawford families migrated NORTH to Indiana and Ohio. James and Rebecca Crawford migrated to Jefferson County, Indiana while James and Martha along with James and Sally migrated to Preble County, Ohio. So, who are the Rebekah Crawford and James Crawford that migrated SOUTH to Barren County, KY before selling land in Garrard County, Kentucky.

A search of Barren County, KY records uncovered an 1821 deed where James and Martha Crawford of Preble County, Ohio sold land in Barren County.

Barren County Kentucky
Deed Book J page 1
Family Search Film #007899153 image 12

This Indenture made the eleventh day of December in the year of or Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty one between James Crawford of the county of Preble state of Ohio of the one part and John Moorehead

of Barren County Kentucky state of the other part and
witnesseth that the said James Crawford for and in consideration
of the sum of two hundred dollars recents to the said James Craw
ford in hand paid the receipt of which is hereby acknowledge
have granted bargained aliened conveyed & confirmed & by these presents
do grant bargain sell alien convey and confirm unto the said John
Moorhead his heirs & assigns forever a certain tract of land containing
***two hundred acres of the county of Barren & State of Kentucky on
the waters of Marrawbone*** bounded as follows to wit: beginning
at a maple & hickory running thence west 119 poles to a chestnut
& hickory thence south 179 poles to two black oaks thence east 179
poles to a popular & dogwood thence north 179 poles crossing a
branch to an ash and hicory thence west 60 poles to the beginning
to have and to hold the said granted & bargained premances
with all the privileges and appurtenances to the same belonging
or in any wise apertaining in the only proper use benefit and behoof
of the said John Moorehead his heirs and assigns. and the said
James Crawford doth for himself his executors and administrators
do hereby covenant promise & grant to and with the said John Moorhead
his heirs & assigns that before the ensealing 'ho' the sd James
Crawford was the true sole & lawful owner of the above barga
ined premises & was lawfully seized and possessed of the
the same in his own rights and good perfect & absolute
estate of inheritance in the fee simple and had in himself good
right full powers lawful authority to grant bargain sell convey
and confirm the said bargained premises in the manner aforesaid
and that the said John Moorehead his heirs & assigns shall at
and at all times forever hereafter by force & virtue of those
presents lawfully peaceably and quietly have hold use
occupy possess & enjoy the said demises & Bargained premises
with the appertenances free & clearly acquitted exonorated are
discharge of an all & all manners of former or other gifts [grow]
to sales incumbrances if what name or nature soever that might
in any measure or degree obstruct or make void this present
deed.

Furthermore, the said James Crawford for himself his heirs
executors & administrators doth covenant & engage the above demise
premasis to him the said John Morehead his heirs & assigns
agants the lawful claims of any person or persons whatsoever
forever hereafter to warrant secure & defend by these presents

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In testimony whereof, the said James Crawford & Martha his wife has
hereunto set their hands and seal the day and year first above written
James Crawford
Martha (her mark) Crawford
Sealed and Delivered
in the presence of us
David Williamson
Nathan D Sellers

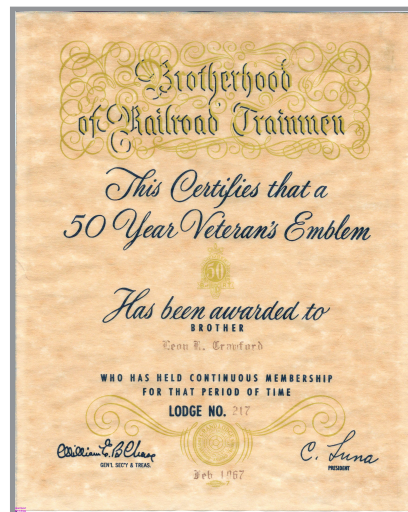
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Unions in the Tree

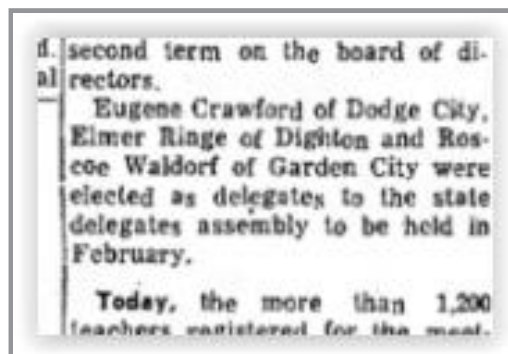
Monday, September 05, 2022

Since today is Labor Day, I thought I'd pull an old post about my ancestor's union membership. The following was first published in September 2016.

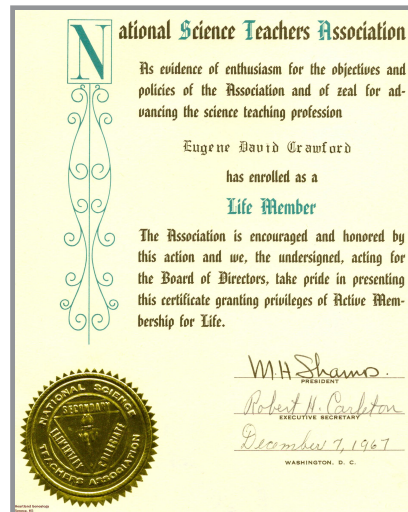
Both my grandfather, Leon Crawford, and great-grandfather, Judson Crawford, worked for the railroad – for the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad. I don't remember my grandfather talking about union activities but he was a lifelong member of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen.



My father, Eugene Crawford, went into teaching instead of joining his father at the railroad yards. However, my father did follow his father's footsteps when it came to professional involvement. As a young teacher in Dodge City, he attended the Garden City section of the Kansas State Teachers Association and was elected as a delegate to the state assembly. ("Agree Convention, Hunting Don't Mix," *Garden City Telegram (Garden City, Kansas)*, 7 Nov 1958, Newspapers.com)



In addition to his involvement in the teacher's association, my father was active in the Kansas Association of Teachers of Science (KATS) and the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA).



As my science teaching methods teacher, I'm sure my father encouraged my to be active in my profession. However, it was his example that led me to not only join but participate in KNEA (Kansas National Education Association) and the professional organizations associated with my teaching assignment.

It was even his car and gasoline that allowed us to attend the regional conventions of the National Science Teachers Association during those early years of our career. Education has mad big strides from those early years when there wasn't any form of reimbursement for attending professional conferences. Whether it was the annual KATS (Kansas Association of Teachers of Science) Kamp at Rock Springs or regional and national meetings, the cost of registration, lodging, meals and transportation were the responsibility of the teacher. Not only did teachers have to pay for everything, they had us use precious personal leave or take leave without pay to attend. For us, the addition of professional leave was a major victory in the contract negotiations. The bonus came a year or two later when reimbursement for some of the expense was granted.

In those years, I called KNEA a professional organization because it fought for my professional rights. I never really considered it a union until more recently. Besides working to grant teachers the ability to be active professionally, the local association worked to broaden definitions of sick leave. One of the first steps in this process was to allow a teacher to use his/her sick leave to be with a family member during an illness. Prior to that change, teachers had to use their personal leave (that's why it was so precious) or be docked pay to stay home with a sick child or be at the hospital bed of a child, sibling or parent. The next step was to allow sick leave to be used for funerals of immediate family members.

The changes in the definition of sick leave and the recognition of the needs for professional leave and reimbursement were the contract items most important to me. However, over the years, NVTa (Nemaha Valley Teachers Association) worked hard for other changes that affected the work day. These changes included a 25 minute *duty-free* lunch period and time set aside *daily* for preparation and planning. (USD 115 2016-2017 Negotiated Agreement)

On this Labor Day, I'm thankful for all of those that have gone before me — working for working conditions and benefits that are now taken for granted.

Kansas Newspapers

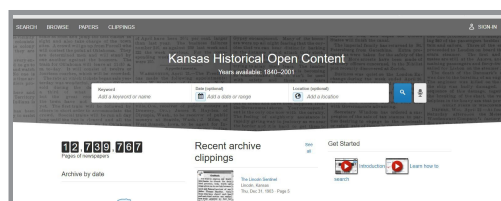
Tuesday, September 06, 2022

When Kansas was not yet 15 years old, the attendees of the 1875 Kansas Editors' and Publishers' Convention formed the Kansas State Historical Society "for the purpose of saving the present and past records" of Kansas history. One of the first goals of this society was to collect and preserve the NEWSPAPERS of the state. Thanks to that 1875 initiative, Kansas has a FANTASTIC collection of newspapers. (Kansas Digital Newspapers – Background)

Over the years, that newspaper collection was converted to microfilm. This collection of over 70,000 rolls of newspaper microfilm can be accessed at the Kansas State Historical Society Archives in Topeka, KS. With the advent of the Internet, the Kansas Digital Newspapers (KDN) program was begun. This program seeks to digitize and make these newspapers available online.

- 2009 grant from the National Digital Newspaper Program to digitize 42 newspaper titles from 28 cities that are available thru Chronicling America
- Additional grants in 2011 and 2013 added additional titles to the collection on Chronicling America
 - In 2013, the Kansas Digital Newspapers program began working with Newspapers.com to digitize the pre-1923 papers Pre-1923 Kansas newspapers available for **FREE** using the " Kansas Historical Open Content" link (no login required!)
 - ALL Kansas State Historical Society newspapers on Newspapers.com are available FREE to Kansas residents after they verify their residency by entering a Kansas driver's license number or Kansas state ID number.
 - Those living outside of Kansas may access the 1923 and later Kansas newspapers on Newspapers.com by logging into Newspapers.com with an Ancestry or Newspapers.com account.

As a genealogist with deep Kansas roots, I am very thankful for the foresight of those who worked to create this fantastic newspaper collection. I am also thankful for all of the efforts to digitize this collection!



William Harding Deeds

Wednesday, September 07, 2022

Do you have same name challenges in your tree? If you are like me, those challenges are throughout your tree. I've written before about the challenge of separating records for two men of the same name in the same location. However, another challenge that I face is a given name that is used generation after generation. My HARDING line is an example of this where the given name William appears in at least 4 generations.



When that is compounded by the siblings use of the name 'William' for their sons, it can become a struggle to figure out which record belongs to which William. The grantor/grantee indexes for land in New Brunswick illustrates this problem. It shows quite a few William Harding deeds.

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"	THOMAS G. HARDING	1830	1-1	190	190
"	JOHN HARDING	1830	1-1	191	191
"	THOMAS G. HARDING	1830	1-1	192	192
"	JOHN HARDING	1830	1-1	193	193
"	THOMAS G. HARDING	1830	1-1	194	194
"	JOHN HARDING	1830	1-1	195	195
"	THOMAS G. HARDING	1830	1-1	196	196
"	JOHN HARDING	1830	1-1	197	197
"	THOMAS G. HARDING	1830	1-1	198	198
"	JOHN HARDING	1830	1-1	199	199
"	THOMAS G. HARDING	1830	1-1	200	200

While I likely need to retrieve all of these HARDING deeds, I'm starting with my third great grandfather who fortunately used his middle initial on at least some of his land transactions. Unfortunately, the first two deeds I acquired are between William G. Harding and another William Harding. While I could assume that this second William was the father of William G. Harding, I currently have no proof of that. I also have no proof that the William Harding in both deeds is the same person. Thus figuring out these land records is going to prove very challenging!

1830 Deed William Harding sells land to William G. Harding

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Willm Harding
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William G Harding

No 5095 Know all men by these presents that I William Harding Esquire of the Parish of Westfield in the County of Kings and Province of New Brunswick Yeoman and Elizabeth his wife for and in consideration of the sum of six hundred pounds lawful money of the said Province to the said William Harding Esquire in hand well and truly paid by William Gillies Harding of the Parish of Westfield aforesaid farmer at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof the said William Harding Esquire doth here by acknowledge have granted bargained & sold and by these presents do grant bargain and sell to the said William Gillies Harding his heirs

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and assigns all that lot piece or parcel of ground situate lying and being in the Long Reach in the parish of Westfield County of Kings and Province aforesd known and distinguished as lot no five and bounded as follows on the lower side by a poplar tree running North 45 degrees East (to reserved land belonging to said William Harding Esquire) to a Rock Maple Tree marked with a blaze and three hacks thence south 45 degrees East 135 chains thence north 45 degrees wet 60 rods till it

joins lot No 4 thence North 45 degrees West till it joins Saint Johns River containing about two hundred acres more or less (a reservation being made of a piece of land between lots & 6 containing 25 rods & 12 feet the upper boundary lot No 6 is a pine stump lying between the piece of land and lot number 6 and likewise of the new part of the house now in possession of William Harding Esquire and one half of the barn situated on the said lot to the sole use and behoof of the said William Harding Esq together with all and singular the dwelling houses, farms and out houses buildings and fences therein (reservations above excepted) and all and every of the appurtenances thereunto belonging to have and to hold the said lot piece and parcel of ground with their and every of their appurtenances unto the said William Gillies Harding his heirs & assigns to the only use and behoof of the said William Gillies Harding his heirs and assigns forever In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this twenty seventh day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty.

William Harding (seal)
Elizabeth Harding (seal)
Signed Sealed & Delivered
in the presence of
Henry Nase
Joel Waters Junr
Westfield
KC

Be it remembered that on this 28th day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty personally appeared before me Henry Nase Esquire Judge of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas for the said County of Kings, William Harding Esquire

and Elizabeth his wife the grantors within the named, and do acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be their act and deed & that they executed the same freely & voluntarily for the purpose therein mentioned and the said Elizabeth Harding being also by me examined and separate and apart from her said husband acknowledged that she executed the same freely and voluntarily without any fear threat or compulsion of or from her said husband.

Henry Nase J.C.[l.]

Filed & Registered the foregoing Deed this 29th day of September 1830

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1832 Deed William G Harding to William Harding

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William G Harding

Deed to

William Harding Esq

No 5596 Know all men by these presents that
I William Gillis Harding of the parish of Westfield
and County of Kings and Province of New Brunswick Yeoman and Elizabeth his wife for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred pounds of lawful money of the said province to the said William Gillis Harding in hand well and [freely] paid by William Harding esq his heirs and assigns all that piece and parcel of land situated lying and being in the Long Reach in the parish of Westfield County of Kings & Province aforesaid containing fifty acres bounded as follows in the upper side by reserved land belonging to the said William Harding Esquire and Measuring Fifteen Rods from a Certain rock Maple Tree marked with a blaze and three Hacks down the River St John to a certain stake thence South 45 degrees east 135 chains thence North 45 degrees West 15 Rods till it joins the reserved land thence north 45 degrees west till it joins the River St John together with all and singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging. To have and to hold the said piece and parcel of land with all and singular the appurtenances unto the said William Harding Esqr his heirs and assigns forever.
In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this twenty fifth day of April in the year o our Lord one thousand

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thousand and thirty two

William G. Harding (seal)

Elizabeth Harding (seal)

Signed Sealed & Delivered
in the presence of
George Harding Junr
Abel Harding

Kings County

Be it remembered that on this 11th day of May in the year of
Lord 1832 personally appeared before me Henry Nase Esquire
one of his Majesty's Justices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas
for the said County William G. Harding and Elizabeth his wife and
acknowledged the same to be their act and deed by them executed
for the purposes therein contained and Elizabeth his wife being
by me examined separate and apart from her said husband
acknowledged that she executed the same freely and voluntarily
without fear threat or compulsion from her said Husband
Henry Nase – JCP

Recd & Registered the foregoing Deed this 20th day of October 1832
Ninyon Chalmers – Register

Expanding the FAN Club

Thursday, September 08, 2022

Have you ever gone back thru your sources for a person to discover that the source contains more information about your family and their FAN club than you originally realized? That's the situation as I'm updating sources for Henry Duggins. Henry Duggins [KGM3-TX3] is the stepson of my 4th great-grandfather, James Crawford.

Because of this relationship, I expect to find some of my CRAWFORD FAN club members: the CRAWFORD and DUGGINS surname along with the SELLERS surname.

- DUGGINS — Henry and William — stepsons of my ancestor James CRAWFORD
- CRAWFORD — James and James — the two CRAWFORDs married in Garrard County, KY who seem to migrate together
- SELLERS — Nathan – Father-in-law of Henry DUGGINS
- SELLERS — James and William — brothers of Nathan who married Mary and Sarah CRAWFORD respectively
- DOOLEY — land owner in Garrard County KY who appears to have followed same migration path as the two James Crawfords

Thus, when I find all of these surnames in a piece on the Religious History of Preble County in the 1881 History of Preble County, Ohio, I wonder how many of them may have also been in the area of Garrard county, Kentucky prior to 1800.

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Religious History

The pioneer religious organization of Eaton, and, for that matter, of Preble County, was that of the Christian church. The Eaton church of this denomination was first organized at the house of Nathan Sellers, about one mile south of the village in the year 1807. The organization grew out of a camp meeting held on the premises of Mr. Sellers and conducted by Reuben Dooley, Barton W. Stone, David Purviance and William Kinkade. Elders Dooley and Stone had at this time just commenced their labors. The following, from Stone's Biography, affords a glimpse of the manner of religious work then carried on and the difficulties which had to be surmounted. Stone says:

"We preached and baptized daily in Eaton for many days. No house could contain the people that flocked to hear. We had to preach in the open streets to the anxious multitude. At night, after service, the cries and prayers of the distressed in many houses around were truly solemn. Almost the whole town and neighborhood were baptized and added to the Lord. We left this place and preached and baptized in many others. We were poorly clad and had no money to buy clothes. Going on at a certain time through the barrens, a limb tore Brother Dooley's striped linen pantaloons very much. He had no other, nor had I a pair to lend him. We consoled ourselves that we were in the Lord's work and that He would provide. He tied his handkerchief over the seat, and we went on and preached to the people. That night we lodged with Brother Samuel Wilson, whose wife presented Brother Dooley a pair of home-spun linen pantaloons."

Soon after the organization was effected in Eaton the public church was built in the southwest part of the village. That structure, which long remained standing, and became widely known as "the old Public church," was used by the Christian church in common with other religious organizations. The church appears to have prospered for the first fifteen years of its existence, and to have numbered among its members many of the pioneer families of Preble county, among whom may be named the Sellers, Dooleys,

Crawfords, Bruces, Brubakers, Hardys, Duggins, Bantas, Shidelers, Flemings, Baileys, Bloomfields, and Vanausdals. The early ministers of the church were Reuben Dooley, William Kinkade, David Purviance. John Hardy was pastor of the church at the time of his death, in 1819.

History of Preble County, Ohio: with Illustrations and Biographical Sketches (N.p.: H. Z. Williams & Bro., Publishers, 1881), Page 103 – Religious History; digital images, Archive.org, <http://www.archive.org> viewed online 13 August 2022.

Wondering whether these four ministers had connections to my FAN club in Kentucky, I searched Google for each of them.

- Reuben Dooley — son of Moses Dooley who settled in Madison County, KY in 1781. Reuben Dooley migrated to Preble County, OH in 1808 where his father lived. (History of the Restoration Movement).
- William Kinkade, author of the book, The Bible Doctrine, was born in Pennsylvania and raised in Kentucky. His memorial on Find a Grave provides details about his life.
- David Purviance's biography indicates that he moved his family from Tennessee to Bourbon County, Kentucky in 1792, where his path would have crossed with the host of the 1807 Preble County, Ohio, camp meeting, Nathan Sellers.
- Barton W. Stone may have also crossed paths with Nathan Sellers in Kentucky when Barton Stone was one of the ministers at the Cane Ridge Revival in Bourbon County, KY in 1801.

While I don't know anything about the other pioneer families who were members of 'the old public church', two surnames caught my attention: Bantas and Vanausdals. These two surnames are in my tree — just not in my CRAWFORD branch of my tree. The Banta family was part of the Low Dutch Colony of White Oak Station in Madison County, Kentucky. (Wiki-Tree: Low Dutch Settlements in Kentucky)



Friday Finds

Friday, September 09, 2022

Another find in my HARDING files.

HARDING, George
Parish of Maugerville, Sunbury Co. Will dated 10 February 1807, proved 22 January 1808.
Already made provision in some considerable degree for some children. Son Valentine HARDING 5 pounds. Son Jonathan HARDING half of Lot 22 in Maugerville. Son John HARDING the lot where I live, Lot 24, he to pay my daughter Elizabeth MILES 100 Guineas sterling. Daughter Elizabeth MILES all livestock and all Negro slaves or servants. Granddaughter Elizabeth Ann HARDING my household furniture. Grandson George Horatio Nelson HARDING my bay mare. Elijah MILES, John Murray BLISS, and son Jonathan HARDING executors. Witnesses: Joseph CLARKE, John HAZEN, Philip WILLIAMS.

HARDING, William
City of Saint John, St. John Co. Will dated 6 January 1818, proved 30 March 1818.
Wife Leah use of all property, except the tan yard, for life, but not to dispose of any part. Son Thomas the tan yard and all the grounds and appurtenances lying in Dukes Ward now in his possession, consisting of three lots fronting on Germain Street and a lot on the corner of Queens and Germain Streets. Residue of estate, after the decease of my wife, to my children, being seven in number, George, William, Thomas, Nancy, Sarah, Mary and Elizabeth as tenants in common, subject that daughter Sarah, being left a widow, shall have the house and lot in Duke's Street. Granddaughter Sarah Ann, daughter of my son John, 100 pounds at age 18. Sons George HARDING, William HARDING and Thomas HARDING executors. Witnesses: Henry STENING, Christopher BURNETT, Charles J. PETERS.

Early New Brunswick Probate Records, 1785-1835 by Hale, R. Wallace c1989

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HARDING, William

City of Saint John, St. John Co. Will dated 6 January 1818, proved 30 March 1818.

Wife Leah use of all property, except the tan yard, for life, but not to dispose of any part. Son Thomas the tan yard and all the grounds and appurtenances lying in Dukes Ward now in his possession, consisting of three lots fronting on Germain Street and a lot on the corner of Queens and Germain Streets. Residue of estate, after the decease of my wife, to my children, being seven in number, George, William, Thomas, Nancy, Sarah, Mary and Elizabeth as tenants in common, subject that daughter Sarah, being left a widow, shall have the house and lot in Duke's Street. Granddaughter Sarah Ann, daughter of my son John, 100 pounds at age 18. Sons George HARDING, William HARDING and Thomas HARDING executors. Witnesses: Henry STENING, Christopher BURNETT, Charles J. PETERS.

Hale R. Wallace, Early New Brunswick Probate Records, 1785-1835 (Bowie, Maryland: Heritage Books, 1989), page 198 – Harding.

Saturday Tidbits

Saturday, September 10, 2022

Nemaha County Men Leave for Camp

The Courier Tribune
Monday, January 6, 1941
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The United States is building for possible war but largely this has been a matter of registration, of steps being taken at other places, no great change close at hand.

But military preparedness struck home in Nemaha county Friday of last week, when Sabetha saw its Battery D. of the 130th field artillery leave by special train for a year's training at Camp Joseph Robinson, near Little Rock, Arkansas. The battery includes many men from Nemaha County.

There was a large crowd at the station, the Sabetha band played martial music and there were tears as the train pulled out promptly at 10 o'clock, with the band playing the national anthem.

Bill Tennal of the Sabetha Herald took these photographs which by arrangement will be used in this newspaper and the Herald.

The photographs are identified as follows:

Top picture, Battery D boys as they stood around at the Rock Island station at 9:30 Friday morning awaiting orders to "fall in" preparatory to boarding the special train made up at Sabetha. They have regulation packs, empty pistol holsters.

The middle picture shows the boys after they had fallen in, heard a short talk by Mayor S. M. Hibbard, then had started to march onto the waiting Pullman cars. In the foreground with face turned towards the camera is First sergeant Virgil Lehnherr. Beside him with backs to the camera are Second Lieutenants Vernon Dilliplain and Clyde Bloxom. (Bloxom's wife is a sister of Dale Ridgway, Seneca coach.)

In the lower picture, from the only two Pullman windows they were able to get open, four men wave farewell.

Not all of the battery went by train. Capt. J. W. Cavendar and Lieut. Ray Pittinger, with 22 men, took the battery's nine trucks and two station wagons.



Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

Sunday, September 11, 2022

It's Saturday Night – time for more Genealogy Fun!

Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible music here) is to:

1) What is your favorite genealogy research resource? Not a website, but a type of record, like census, cemetery, tax, etc. Why is it your favorite? [Thank you to Linda Stufflebean for suggesting topics!]

My favorite record is

LAND RECORDS

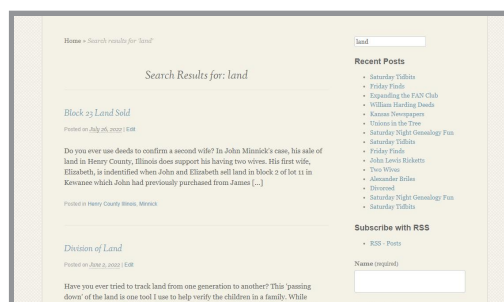
If I counted correctly, I have over 160 sources for land records. That's close to 3 percent of my 5544 citations. The only record type that likely has more sources in my file would be census records.

So, why do I like land records so much?

- Land records have helped me track the migration of an ancestor.
- Land records have placed one of my James Crawford families in Barren County, KY — which means the family went SOUTH before going NORTH to Preble County, Ohio
- Land records suggested a search of court records and also provided the first hint I uncovered for the death of an ancestor
- Land records identify several of my ancestors as the first land owners in a county
- Land records have helped establish family relationships

Thankfully, FamilySearch digitized much of the county records in their collection, including land records. Thus, it is much easier to locate these records than it was when I first started my genealogy research.

A search of my blog for the word 'land' will show the various posts I have made about my research of land records.



While land records are my favorite, they are only one part of my toolbox.

Tax Lists

Monday, September 12, 2022

Have you used tax lists in your genealogy research? Over the years, I've used and re-used tax lists, primarily in Kentucky, to try and learn more about my Crawford ancestry. Most of that research was in Lincoln, Madison, Garrard and Barren counties in Kentucky. While those tax lists have proven helpful, they've also proven to be difficult. That's because most of those tax lists have multiple listings for 'James Crawford'. The difficulty came from trying to figure out which James was which and whether each of them might be related to either of the women listed in those records: Rebekah and Mary Crawford.

While going back thru my research for Henry Duggins (step-son of my James Crawford ancestor), I've been using the tax lists for Preble County, Ohio. Year in and year out, Henry Duggins is listed on those tax lists beginning in 1816. These tax lists provide clues to my Preble County Crawford Research.

- William Duggins – brother of Henry / step son of James and Sally Crawford
- James Crawford / wife Salley – step father of Henry and William — MY ANCESTOR
- James Crawford / wife Martha – possible cousin to MY ANCESTOR

While Henry Duggins is on the tax lists in 1816, his brother, William is not found until 1827 when he is listed with personal property. He is listed again in 1828 and 1829 with personal property.

Name	Tax Amount
Day John B.	\$1.2
Dugan Mr.	4.8
Dugan Henry	\$3.6
Dugan Mr.	28.8
Dugan Henry	48.0

1829 Preble County OH Tax List

Then in 1830, William Duggins is listed with land in range 2 township 7 section 10.

Name	Tax Amount
Dugan Henry	5.5
Dugan Henry	14.0
Dugan Henry	11.0
Dugan Henry	5.5
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Dugan Henry	5.5

Thus, the question of William's whereabouts prior to 1827. Since the 1820 census shows Wm Dougan on the 1820 census living in Washington Township, Preble County, Ohio, I believe that William was living in Preble County, Ohio but doesn't own property and thus does not appear on the tax lists.

That brings us to the two James Crawford families.

- One James Crawford appears on the 1816 tax list with 150 acres in Range 2, township 7 section 14.

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Cook ill	"	135	"	3	4	32	Frank	Frank
Same	"	162	"	2	5	11		Frank
Same	"	38	"	2	3	11		Frank
Cornfield house	"	138	"	2	7	14		Frank
	"	124	"	2	3	3		Frank

At the end of the 1816 tax list, the commissioners, including a James Crawford, sign the list.








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State of Ohio
Cuth County & S³

We John Spickard and
James Crawford Commissioners of the County
above said do certify the foregoing pages to
contain a true copy of the last of laws
of the County of Cuth, as recorded this
1st day of May 1816

John Spickard Com^r
James Crawford
attest
Clerk

Image Index Information

Since the tax list only contained one James Crawford, the land description is a clue to the identity of James. However, one has to find a deed for the sale of the land to determine the spouse of this James Crawford. That sale occurred in 1829 when James and his wife MARTHA sold that piece of land to Adam Swinehart.

6 one Lord, one thousand eight hundred
James Crawford 1802
Martha Crawford 1802

Then in 1818, two men named James Crawford are listed on the tax lists! One is listed as James Crawford while the second is listed as James Crawford Junr.

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Book 11	12	11	3	2	Preble
Bigson Lane	120	12	3	3	do
Crawford Lane	110	12	2	50	do
Crawford Lane	118	12	3	3	do

1818 Tax List Preble County OH James Crawford

Ohio Tax Records, 1800-1850 <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:333Q-9P96-CT97-cc:147219>

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Colman George & Son	15	2	3	50	do
Caldwell Lane	67	9	6	1	50
Lane	67	9	6	1	50
Crawford Lane	78	14	2	50	do

1818 Tax List Preble County OH James Crawford Junr

By 1834, there is only one James Crawford listed on the tax rolls. Since I have already proven that James and Martha moved to Warren County, Indiana before 1834 while James and Sally remained in Preble County, Ohio until their death, I can conclude that the James Crawford on the 1834 tax roll is the James married to Sally.

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Even John	3	7	17	16	14	
Brickman & Mill at Millst.	75				645	1290
Campbell Lane	3	7	18	16	150	261
Crawford David Jr	3	7	16	16	70	125
Crawford Lane	3	7	17	16	119	378

1834 Tax List Preble County OH

Thus, James Crawford Jr is the James Crawford married to Sally. That makes the James Crawford who was a county commissioner the James Crawford married to Martha.

Since these two James Crawford families appear to migrate together, figuring out which one is James Crawford Junior may help me figure out the Barren County, KY tax lists. Both James Crawford Senr and James Crawford jr are listed on the 1805 tax list in Barren County, KY.

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1805 Barren County KY tax list

Even though I suspect that the James Crawford Jr is my ancestor, I still need to find land records to verify that the James Crawford (jr) with 50 acres on the Marrowbone has a wife named Sally. So far, I haven't been able to locate any records for that land.

While going back thru the Preble County Ohio tax lists to document Henry Duggins has been tedious, it has caused me to look at other records and piece together information on both the Duggins and the Crawford families.

Mystery Land

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Have you ever transcribed a deed for the sale of a piece of land and realize you don't have an accompanying deed for the purchase of the land? That's what happened to me when I transcribed an 1852 deed where Henry Duggins sells three parcels of land to Washington P. Duggins.

The deed in question was for land in section FOUR of township 7 range 2 in Preble County, Ohio. That section number immediately caught my attention because the tax records consistently showed Henry Duggins with land in section TEN.

Preble County Ohio
Deeds, 1805-1963

Deeds v. 39-40 1851-1856
film 564922 DGS 8588001

Volume 39 page 574 (Image 291)

Henry Duggins & wife to Washington P. Duggins presented & recorded March the 2[6]th A.D. 1852 Know all men by these presents that Henry Duggins and Jane Duggins his wife of Preble County and State of Ohio, for and in consideration of the sum of Twenty [five] hundred dollars to them in hand paid by Washington P. Duggins of the same place have bargained and sold and do hereby grant bargain sell and convey unto the said Washington P. Duggins his heirs and assigns forever all of the following and premises situate lying and being in the county of Preble and State of Ohio and being a part of the South East quarter of **Section No 4 four** township No. 7 seven and range two East and bounded as follows. Beginning at the South west corner thence north so far in said quarter as to include 75, seventy five acres of land strict measure lying in an Oblong square in the South west part or corner of said quarter section, and also one other tract or parcel of land adjoining the above described tract and being a part of the same quarter and section and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the south east corner of said quarter, thence North with the section line 100 one hundred rods, thence west 40 forty rods so as to include 25 twenty five acres of land with the exception of three acres out of the above tract which was heretofore sold and conveyed to Nathan F Sellers the two tracts containing in the aggregate 97 acres more or less and also one other lot or tract of land adjoining the above tract and being part of the North East quarter of section No. 9 nine in the same township and range aforesaid and containing about 3/4 three quarters of an acre and laying on the north or north west side of the Brookville road and being all the lands which was conveyed to the said Henry Duggins by John Gardner by a deed dated the 4th day of April 1842 and recorded in Book No 33 page 23 and 24 or Preble County land records and also one other lot or parcel of land being part of the North East quarter of Section No. 9 nine in the same township and range aforesaid and bounded and described as follows. Beginning at a ^ on a boulder in the Brookville road 9.74 poles from the N. line and 59.64 poles from the East line of said quarter, thence N. 4 1/2 degrees West 9.74 poles to a point on the N. line of the quarter 59.64 poles
W. of the N.E. corner thereof thence S 86[.7 degrees] W 38.54 poles to a T on a boulder on the

N. line of the quarter thence S 4 1/2 Degrees E 32.40 poles to a V on a Boulder in the middle

of the Brookville road and thence to the place of beginning containing five acres of land the said several lots or tracts of land herein before described containing in the aggregate one hundred and two acres and three quarters of an acres more or less to have and to Hold the said lands and premises with the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the said Washington P. Duggins his heirs and assigns forever, and the said Henry Duggins and Jane Duggins his wife for themselves and heirs to hereby covenant with the said Washington P. Duggins his heirs and assigns that they are lawfully seized of the land and premises aforesaid and that the said lands and premises are free and clear f all incumbrances when ever and that they will forever warrant and defend the same with the saidn privileges against the lawful claims of all persons. In witness whereof the said Henry Duggins and Jane Duggins have hereunto set their hands and seals this 26th day of March A.D. 1852

Henry Duggins his mark (Seal)

Jane Duggins her mark (seal)

Executed in presence of John J Bailey

I Stephens

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The State of Ohio Preble County SS

Before me Isaac Stephens a justice of the Peace in and for said county came Henry Duggins and Jane Duggins his wife the above named grantors acknowledged the signing and sealing and sealing of the above deed of conveyance to be their voluntary act and deed and the said Jane Duggins [being] at the same time examined by me separate and apart from her husband and the contents of said deed bing also by me fully made known and explained to her she then declared that she did voluntarily sign seal and acknowledge the same and that she is still satisfied therewith as her act and deed, this 26th day of March 1852

I Stephens JP

That meant that I needed to go back and do more RESEARCH!

My first step in that 'going back' process was to check the first land owners to see if a family member owned the land.



That search told me Bruce William was the original owner of the SE quarter of section four. Since I don't have Bruce William in my database and know nothing about his family, I concluded this wasn't family land. Thus, I returned to the grantor/grantee indexes knowing that if all else failed I could start tracking the land with Bruce William. Fortunately, I didn't have to take that process. Instead, I found that I had missed an entry for Henry Duggins in Volume 2 of the deed indexes for Preble County.

Preble County, Ohio Deed Index volume 2

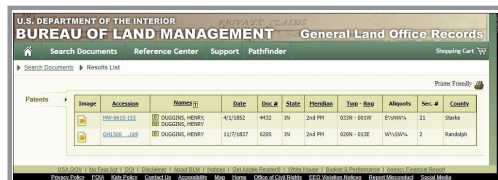
I'm not sure how I overlooked this one deed since I had already acquired the other Henry Duggins deeds listed on this page, including the sale of the land in section 4 to Washington P. Duggins.

Thankfully, I have been going back thru my old research to update sources and create research notes! I doubt I would have otherwise found this deed where Henry Duggins purchased land in 1842!

Duggins Land

Wednesday, September 14, 2022

Have you ever encountered a record referencing someone with the same name as a person you are researching, but question whether it is the same person? That was my situation when I searched the Bureau of Land Management records for Henry Duggins. I found a Henry Duggins with 2 parcels of land in Indiana.

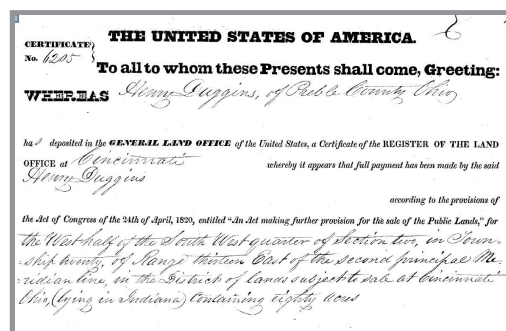


The screenshot shows the BLM General Land Office Records interface. It includes a search bar, navigation links, and a results table. The table has columns for Image, Accession, Name(s), Date, Doc #, State, Section, Township, Range, Acreage, Sec #, and County. Two results are listed for Henry Duggins.

Image	Accession	Name(s)	Date	Doc #	State	Section	Township	Range	Acreage	Sec #	County
	1852-1853	DUGGINS, HENRY	4/1/1852	4452	IN	2nd PM	102N	102E	17.0000	21	Stark
	1837-1838	DUGGINS, HENRY	11/1/1837	4285	IN	2nd PM	102N	102E	17.0000	2	Randolph

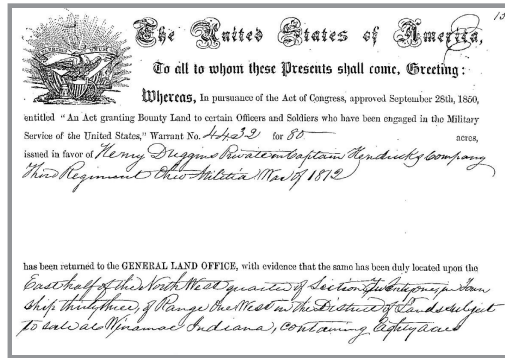
If this land had been in Warren County, Indiana where his brother and his step-brother filed for land, I would have prioritized finding additional records to verify the land was patented by Henry Duggins, step-son of James Crawford. Since the land was not in Warren county, seeking such records was low on my priority list. However, these two patents contain clues indicating that it is the same person.

The 1837 patent indicates that Henry Duggins was from Preble County, Ohio.



United States Bureau of Land Management, "General Land Office Records," database with images, BLM.Gov (<http://glorerecords.blm.gov> : viewed online 25 August 2022), Henry Duggins.

The 1852 patent indicates that Henry Duggins was a private in Captain Hendricks Company which matches other information about Henry Duggins, step-son of James Crawford.



United States Bureau of Land Management, "General Land Office Records," database with images, BLM.Gov (<http://glorerecords.blm.gov> : viewed online 25 August 2022), Henry Duggins.

Fortunately, the will of Henry Duggins ties this all together by indicating how these two parcels of land are to handled.

Will of Henry Duggins

Preble County, Ohio
Record of wills 1808-1901

Wills v. D 1855-1870
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Henry Duggins Will

The State of Ohio Preble County

Be it remembered that heretofore to wit before the Probate Court within and for the County of Preble and State of Ohio held at the Court House in Eaton on the fifteenth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty two, by John V Campbell Judge of said court The last will and testament of Henry Duggins late of Washington Township Preble County Ohio, deceased was this day brought before the Court, and was proved by the oaths of Isaac Stephens John P Acton and John Halderman the witnesses thereto whose satisfaction of the Court that the said Henry Duggins at the time of executing said will was of full age, and of sound mind, and memory and not under any restraint. it is ordered that said will and the proof so reduced to writing be recorded. And thereupon Jane Duggins the executrix named in said will appeared in open court and relinquished said trust as executrix of the said estate with the will annexed and thereof upon on motion of said John Halderman. It is ordered that Letters of Administration with the will annexed be granted to the said John Halderman who appeared in open court and accepted said appointment and gave bond with Isaac Stephens and John P. Acton County to the acceptance of the Court in the penalty of three thousand dollars conditioned

according to law, whereupon the court appoint Joseph L Campbell Harding Bruce and John P. Acton to appraise the personal property of said estate, The said Jane Duggins widow of said Henry Duggins deceased, this day came into open court and elected to take under the provision of her said husbands will, in lieu of Dower, said examination of witnesses was reduced to wording as follows the State of Ohio Preble County Ss Preble County, Probate Court Personally appeared in open Court, Isaac Stephens, John P. Acton and John Holderman of lawful age who being duly sworn depose and say that the paper writing now exhibited in court is the last will and testament of Henry Duggins late of Preble County deceased that they saw him sign and heard him acknowledge the same that they signed the same as witnesses in his presence and at his request and that at the time of executing the same he was of full age of sound mind and memory and not under any restraint. I Stephens, John P. Acton, John Halderman Sworn affirmed and subscribed in open Court the 15 day of June AD 1852. John V. Campbell, Probate Judge. Said will is in the words and figures following to wit. I Henry Duggins of Preble County Ohio make and declare this to be my last will and testament as herein after stated. It is first my will and desire that all my just debts and funeral charges and expenses be fully paid out of my estate, I give an

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Henry Duggins Will

devise to my wife Jane Duggins my homestead farm whereon we now live being in Preble County, Ohio to be held by her for her use and benefit during her natural life for the purpose of making her a comfortable home and a full and competent support and maintenance during her natural life and in relation to my personal estate I wish my said wife to claim and take under the provisions of the Statutes I wish my chattel as personal property to be sold by my executor according to the law regulating the sale of such property by Administrators and Executors It is my will and I do order and ***direct my executrix to sell my 80 acre lot or 1/2 quarter section of land lying in Randolph County and State of Indiana*** at such time and in such way and manner and on such terms as she may think most to be advantage of my estate and as such sale to make to the purchaser a good and sufficient title ordered of conveyance, if necessary to contain covenants of general warranty, I ***give and devise to my grandson Henry Duggins the son of my son Washington P. Duggins my half quarter section of land containing 80 acres more or less and lying and being in the State of Indiana and being the East half of the North west quarter of section No 21 in Township No 33 and Range one west on the Meramac Land District,*** I give and bequeath to my daughter Caroline Dooley two thousand dollars which I wish paid to her as soon as funds can be raised out of my estate without putting my homes and farm to sale before the death of my said wife, I give and bequeath to my five grand children who are the children of my son Cornelius V. Duggins deceased, the sum of two thousand dollars which is to be equally

divided amongst and between them share and share alike or the survivor of them which said bequest of 42000 is not to be paid to them until the death of my said wife Jane Duggins and the sale of my said homestead farm and then to be paid out of the process of my said farm I give and bequeath to my son Washington P. Duggins One thousand Dollars which said \$1000 is to be paid to him after the death of my said wife

and about of the proceeds of the sale of my said homestead farm. It is my will and I do so order and direct that my Executrix herein named proved and furnish within some reasonable time after my decease suitable substantial marble or Italian marble grave stone for my own grave, and also grave stones of the same kine & quality for the graves of my sons William, John and Nathan which said grave stones are to be paid for out of my estate, and all the balance, residue and remainder of my estate not herein before disposed of I give and bequeath to my grand children to be equally divided amongst them share and share alike at the death of my said wife I wish my said homestead farm to be sold.

I hereby appoint my wife Jane Duggins to be Executrix of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 3rd day of April AD 1852

Henry Duggins his mark

Witness present and who have

subscribed their names at the request of the testator

I. Stephens John P. Acton John Halderman

Ohio, Preble. Record of wills, 1808-1901. Film #564861 DGS 58868428. Henry Duggins, 3 Apr 1852 volume D: page 307-308; FamilySearch <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 25 August 2022.

Henry Duggins of Preble County Ohio

Thursday, September 15, 2022

Henry Duggins was born in 1787. 1

He was born on 22 Dec 1788 at on river Dam in Virginia, United States. 2 – 4

According to the death date and age on his tombstone, he was born on 23 Dec 1788. 5
Birth Date calculated from tombstone information

Henry lived in Preble County, Ohio in 1805. 3

He lived in Gasper Township, Preble County, Ohio in 1806. 1 , 4

About 1810, he was a member of the 1st church of Eaton called “the old Public Church” in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States. 6

Henry lived in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States in 1811. 1

He served in the military as a private on roll of Capt. David E. Hendrick’s Company in 1812. 7 – 8

He purchased land being part SW 1/4 S10T7R2 containing 50 acres for \$100 from Nathan Sellers on 5 May 1812 in Preble County, Ohio. 9

Henry was listed on the tax rolls in 1816 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 10 According to the tax roll, Henry Dugans owned 50 acres in Section 10, Township 7, range 2.

He was listed on the tax rolls in 1818 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 11

He was listed on the tax rolls in 1819 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 12

Henry was listed on the tax rolls in 1820 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 13

He lived in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States on 7 Aug 1820. 14 Henry Dougan was listed on the 1820 census in Washington Township, Preble County, Ohio. The household included 5 males under 10, 1 male 26 to 44, and 1 female 26 to 44. The household had 1 person engaged in agriculture.

He was listed on the tax rolls in 1821 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 15

Henry was listed on the tax rolls in 1822 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 16

He purchased land being 5 acre pt SW 1/4 S10T7R2 for \$30 from Nathan Sellers on 17 Dec 1822 in Preble County, Ohio. 17

He was listed on the tax rolls in 1823 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 18

Henry was listed on the tax rolls with 55 acres in the SW 1/4 of section 10, township 7 range 2 in 1824 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 19

He was listed on the tax rolls in 1825 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 20

He was listed on the tax rolls in 1826 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 21

Henry was listed on the tax rolls for 55 acres in Section 10 in Township 7 of Range 2 in 1827 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 22

He purchased land being 160 acres in the SE 1/4 S10T7R2 from Jacob and Catharine Mullendore for \$640 on 29 Nov 1827 in Preble County, Ohio. 23

He was listed on the tax rolls in 1828 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 24

Henry was listed on the tax rolls in 1829 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 25 According to the tax rolls he owned two parcels of land in section 10, township 7, range 2.

He lived in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States in 1830. 26 Henry Dugans was listed on the 1830 census with 3 males 10-14, 2 males 15-19, 1 male 40-49, 1 female 5-9 and 1 female 40-49 in the household.

He was listed on the tax rolls in 1830 in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States. 27

Henry was listed on the tax rolls in 1831 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 28 According to the tax list, Henry Duggins owned two parcels of land in section 10, township 7, range 2.

He was listed on the tax rolls in 1832 in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States. 29

He was listed on the tax rolls in 1834 in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States. 30

Henry was listed on the tax rolls in 1836 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 31

He was listed on the tax rolls with 55 acres in the SW quarter of section 10 and 160 acres in the SE quarter of section 10 township 7 range 2 in 1837 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 32

He filed land entry papers land being the west half of the south west quarter of section two in township twenty of range thirteen East of the second principal meridian line in 1837 in Randolph, Indiana, United States. 33

Henry lived in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States in Jul 1840. 34 with a household containing 1 male 10-15, 1 male 20-30, 1 male 50-60, 1 female 15-20, and 1 female 50-60, listed as Henry Dugans

He purchased land in section 4 township 7 range 2 from John Gardner on 4 Apr 1842 in Preble County, Ohio. 35

He purchased on 5 Jan 1847 in Preble County, Ohio. 36 land being 5 acres in NE 1/4 S9T7R2 from Andrew Harbison for \$100

Henry lived in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States on 29 Jul 1850. 37

Henry Duggins was listed as a 61 year old farmer born in Virginia. According to the census, Henry owned \$10,000 in real estate. Also listed in the household was James Duggins, a 65 year old female; Nathan H, Duggins, a 10 year old male; and Uriah Ryan, a 20 year old male.

He sold land being 3/4 acre portion NW 1/4 S9T7R2, 22 acres in SE 1/4 S4T7R2, 75 acres in SE 1/4 S4T7R2 and 5 acres in NW 1/4 S4T7R2 to Washington P. Duggins for \$2500 on 26 Mar 1852 in Preble County, Ohio. 38

He filed land entry papers for land being the east half of the northwest quarter of section twenty one in township thirty three of range one west in the district of land subject to sale at Miramac, Indiana on 1 Apr 1852. 8

Henry signed his will on 3 Apr 1852 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 39

He died on 7 Jun 1852 at the age of 63 in Preble County, Ohio. 2 , 5 , 40

He was buried at Mound Hill Cemetery in Eaton, Preble County, Ohio. 2 , 5 , 40

Henry Duggins and Jane Sellers were married on 16 May 1811 in Ohio, United States. 1 , 4 , 41 – 43

Jane Sellers, daughter of Nathan A. Sellers and Sarah Finley, was born on 6 Aug 1782 in Bourbon, Kentucky, United States. 1 , 4 – 5 , 44

She lived a 65 year old white female born Kentucky and was listed as James Duggins in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States on 29 Jul 1850. 45

She lived in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States on 6 Jun 1860. 46 – 47
Jane Duggins was listed on the 1860 census as Jane Duggins, a 78 year old female born in Kentucky. Listed in her household were Nathan Duggins, age 20; John Duggins, age 17; and Caroline Moffet, age 17.

Jane died on 5 Jul 1861 at the age of 78 in Preble County, Ohio. 5 , 40 , 44 , 48 – 49

She was buried after 5 Jul 1861 at Mound Hill Cemetery in Eaton, Preble County, Ohio. 5 , 44 , 49

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Friday Finds

Friday, September 16, 2022

While going back thru my DUGGINS research in Preble County, Ohio, I was able to download a copy of the 1881 book, History of Preble County, Ohio. While I had previously used this source, I was using the book form and not able to search it like I can now. I also had not known as much about my CRAWFORD FAN club as I do now. Thus, it is highly unlikely that I would have realized the wealth of information contained in the section, The Pioneers of Gasper.

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THE PIONEERS OF GASPER.

It has generally been thought that the first settler in this township was Gasper Potterf, after whom the township was named, but after a careful investigation the writer finds that Silas **Dooley**, sr., settled on Paint creek, in the western part of the township, in 1805, while Potterf located on Seven Mile creek, in the eastern part, in 1806. We will, therefore, begin with Silas Dooley, sr. The writer gleans most of his facts respecting the settlement of Mr. Dooley from an interview held with a friend a few years prior to the death of the aged pioneer, and published at the time in the Eaton Register, February 20, 1873.

Silas Dooley, sr., was born in a blockhouse in Madison county, Kentucky, March 8, 1786. He was the seventh child of **Moses Dooley**, who emigrated with his family—a wife and five children—in 1781, from **Bedford county, Virginia**, a distance of five hundred miles, the mother carrying her youngest child in her arms and walking most of the way, having no other way of traveling, except on pack horses. The route led through mountainous country, and numerous dangers lurked in their pathway, but despite the hardships endured they arrived safely in Kentucky. The savage barbarities of the Indians compelled the settlers to live in forts strongly garrisoned. The Indian massacres of 1782-3 disheartened the settlers very much, and they longed for liberty from their enforced imprisonment. Moses Dooley, chafing under the long confinement and apprehensive of the safety of the morals of his children, who were often thrown into bad company, concluded at all hazards to move to a farm.

Accordingly, with several others he settled in the midst of a canebrake in **Madison county, Kentucky**. There they erected a school-house and educated their children. In 1805 Moses Dooley, with his son, Silas, accompanied by Jacob Railsback, started for Ohio in search of land. They came to Springfield, now Springdale, Hamilton county, Ohio, and spent the first night with Elder Thompson,

a Presbyterian minister. As Mr. Thompson was at that time in need of a hand Silas was hired for one month.

On Monday morning the company started for Seven Mile, arriving on the next: Sunday at the house of John Pottenger, which was located about a mile and a half north of the present site of Camden. They made his home their headquarters during the three or four days they were prospecting for suitable locations for settlement. Mr. Dooley chose 'one hundred and sixty acres of land on Paint creek, now owned principally by John Overholser. Jacob Railsback selected a quarter section on Seven Mile, in Gasper township, which land is now owned by the Huffmans. The party then turned their faces homeward, Silas stopping at Springfield to fulfil his engagement with Elder Thompson. His work was rail splitting, at ten dollars per month. With a part of the first money received he paid for his axe.

Moses Dooley and Jacob Railsback went on to Cincinnati, 'and then entered the land they had selected. The price was two dollars per acre, to be paid in specie, one fourth in hand and the residue in three annual instalments. The payment of sixteen dollars gave the settlers the refusal of the land for forty days, and a second-payment of eighty dollars secured it for two years.

After finishing his job of rail splitting Silas Dooley came back to Seven Mile and engaged to clear two acres of land one foot and under, for James Crawford, commonly called "Big Jimmie." He also cleared two acres for John Pottenger.

Now comes the turning point in Silas Dooley's life. Homesick, out of work, without money and poorly clad, he became discouraged and resolved to go home to his native Kentucky. Having no other means of accomplishing the two hundred and fifty miles that lay between himself and his relatives, he resolved to walk. Just as he was getting under way he met Captain David E. Hendricks, who immediately hired him to clear six acres of land, for which he was to receive three dollars and fifty cents per acre. This clearing is now occupied by the town of Camden. The same year Robert Runyon put the cleared land in corn. At the same time Captain Hendricks had three other bands chopping and splitting rails, viz: Isaac Wiseman, James Wright, and Thomas Combs, a half Indian. The chopping went steadily on until the deer became so tame that they would browse off the tops of the trees while the men would be cutting up the trunks. They worked in different places for Captain Hendricks, and cleared part of the ground on which Eaton now stands. Messrs. Wiseman and **Dooley** cut down a giant poplar tree on the lot now occupied by the Presbyterian church. Thus was his time occupied

until the arrival of his father, mother and brother, David, who came toward the close of the year 1805.

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The family was soon busily engaged in making the farm previously entered habitable. The first house consisted of a camp hut, constructed of round poles, enclosing, three sides and leaving one end open for the fire in front. They had a skillet and a Dutch oven, in which they boiled and baked, and made sugar. Their farm was well stocked with sugar trees, and the largest and best of them were tapped, and a considerable quantity of sugar made by Mrs. Dooley. She tried the Indian plan of making sugar, viz: To allow the sugar water to freeze and to throw away the successive coats of ice that would form on the surface of the liquid until nothing but the finest quality of molasses would remain. She made sugar also by making a clay furnace, and then inverted the skillet lids and baked a clay rim around them, in which she boiled the sugar water. By dint of hard labor the family felled the timber, picked and cleared away the brush, and thus prepared six acres of land for the reception of corn, which they constantly attended, and managed to lay by. A few days after the noted eclipse, which occurred in June, 1806, they went to **James Crawford's** and held a Thanksgiving meeting. After this they started back to Kentucky to remove the balance of their family; and in August of the same year they got started, bringing their teams and a number of cattle with them. *They were accompanied by one or two neighbor families.* Upon their arrival they cut and hewed the logs for their cabin. The Indians often came from Fort St. Clair, and camped by the big sulphur springs on the farm of Silas Dooley, afterwards owned by his son, Hayden. i

In the spring of 1807 Silas Dooley entered a quarter section on Paint creek, three and a half miles southwest of Eaton. In that same year he cleared five acres of this land, and raised thereon a good crop of corn, despite the thefts of the squirrels. The following winter he was sick, and did nothing until spring, when he broke up his cleared ground again and prepared to plant. But at this junction Silas stopped work, and Cornelius, Katie and Polly **VanAusdal**, and perhaps Sallie Curry, were the guests invited to the wedding, for Silas Dooley wouldn't stop work for anything short of his own wedding. On the fifth of May, 1808, he was married to Johanna Westerfield, the daughter of Samuel Westerfield. The affair was held on the sixth at his father's, and the honeymoon was spent in planting corn. Then he set to work to construct a round log cabin, fourteen feet square, with a puncheon floor and large, open fire

place, and he testified that there were spent the happiest days of his life.

In the War of 1812 Mr. Dooley was a member of Captain David E. Hendricks' rifle company, which was not subject to the draft, as the militia volunteered in a body. It was a full company of sixty-four men, rank and file, and was raised in the Paint and Upper Seven Mile settlements. Many families were thus left destitute of male help, but the parents, wives, and daughters put their hands to the plow, rolled logs, and carried and burned brush.

Silas Dooley procured a substitute in the person of Nathaniel Bloomfield, the father of William Bloomfield, of Eaton.

In 1819 Mrs. Dooley, the mother of Silas, died and was buried in a coffin furnished at an expense not exceeding one dollar.

Mr. Dooley, sr., traveled extensively through parts of Indiana and Ohio while engaged in the ministry of the Gospel. In the winter of 1822 he was suddenly smitten with winter fever, and sending for Silas and George, he told them of his approaching death, and requested George to take his measure for his coffin, which was to be made similar to that of his wife. George replied.

"Oh father, I can't do that!" The old gentleman told him to measure Silas, who was of the same height as his father. Moses Dooley soon breathed his last, and in order to get the coffin there in time, secured the assistance of the late William Caster. Silas Dooley, died

July 8, 1877, aged ninety-one years and four months.

Of his family of five sons and two daughters, all are dead save Silas Dooley, jr., who lives on the home place.

Hayden W. Dooley was born in Preble county, in 1814, and in 1836 was married to Adaline A. Runyon, born in 1817, and died in 1872. They had two children. Marquis L. was born October 16, 1837, and Mary E. was born December 7, 1838.

Silas Dooley, jr., the youngest son of Silas Dooley, the pioneer of Gasper township, was born on the home place, where he now resides. In 1846 he was married to Isabel, daughter of Alexander and Rebecca McCracken, who settled in Preble county about 1818. To Mr. and Mrs. Dooley have been born two children, one of whom, Emma, wife of William Morton, is still living. Mr. Dooley owns a farm of one hundred and sixty-two acres of land adjoining his residence.

Thanks to this article I know the DOOLEY clan migrated to Preble County, Ohio about the same time as my CRAWFORD families — from the same area of Kentucky. In addition, I now know that the DOOLEY family was from BEDFORD County Virginia. This one clue might help me track my CRAWFORD family in Virginia.

Saturday Tidbits

Saturday, September 17, 2022

Volunteers to Fill the Quota

The Courier Tribune

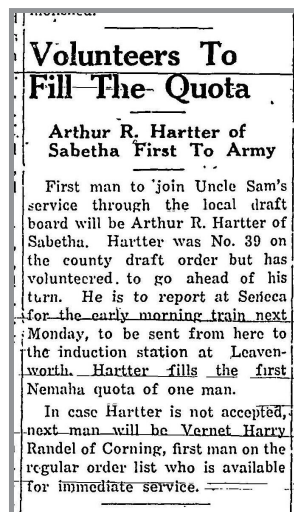
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Arthur R. Hartter of Sabetha First to Army

First men to join Uncle Sam's services through the local draft board will be Arthur R. Hartter of Sabetha. Hartter was No. 39 on the county draft order but has volunteered to go ahead of his turn. He is to report at Seneca for the early morning train next Monday, to be sent from here to the induction station at Leavenworth. Hartter fills the first Nemaha quota of one man.

In case Hartter is not accepted, next man will be Vernet Henry Randel of Corning, first man on the regular order list who is available for immediate service.



Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

Sunday, September 18, 2022

It's Saturday Night –

time for more Genealogy Fun!

Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible music here) is to:

1) The new school year has started in the Northern hemisphere, and for most children that means a new grade, a new teacher, and perhaps new friends.

2) Tell us about some of your elementary school memories when you were a child. What are your memories of starting school in a new year? Who were your teachers? How did you get to school? Who were your best friends? What subjects did you like best? What extra-curricular activities did you participate in? Make up your own questions if you'd like!

I was a member of the 'First Class' of Northwest Elementary School in Dodge City, Kansas.



Northwest School's 'First Class' Has Moved Through Six Grades

Northwest School's "First class" left the school this spring after six years there. Of course, it wasn't really the school's first class but it is the first which went all six years to Dodge City' newest public elementary school.

And of course the entire sixth grade class, as it was late this May, had not gone all six years at that school — but 18 of the pupils had.

The children are James Bxx, Shirley Bxx, Terri Cxx, Marcia Cxx, Jan Cxx, Michael Dxx, Larry Dxx, Rebecca Exx, Ralph Exx Jr., Paul Fxx, Mari Hxx, John Hxx, Kenneth Mxx, Lindsay Mxx, Mia Sxx, Elaine Sxx, Terry Wxx, and Ben Zxx Jr.

(Note: surnames have been removed to protect the privacy of my classmates.)

clipping from the Dodge City Daily Globe

Since I moved away a year after this photo was taken, my memories of elementary school are vague. In terms of friends, Becky was one of my grade school friends who lived a couple of doors north of me before she moved out of our neighborhood. Other

neighborhood friends included Dana, Margaret, and Shari. Shirley, Leigh, Mia and Elaine were members of my girl scout troop. Shirley's mom was my piano teacher. I walked to junior high with Susan who moved in a couple of blocks to the East of us.

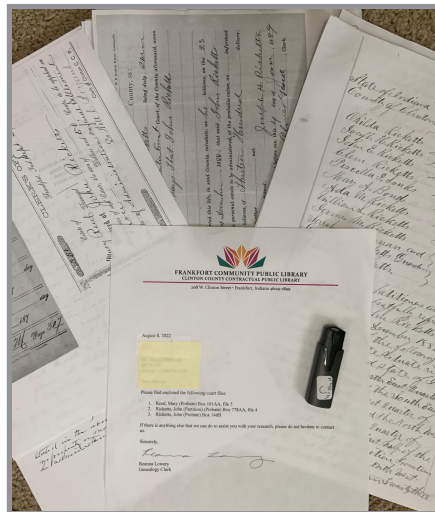


Birthday party picture

Mailbag

Monday, September 19, 2022

Do you remember the days of the SASE, putting one in a letter and then waiting for it to come back to you? (SASE: Self addressed stamped envelope) Well, even though I didn't receive a SASE in the mail, I did receive a bounty of genealogy documents in the mail recently!



One package was from the Frankfort Community Public Library in Clinton County, Indiana and contained photocopies of probate records for my Ricketts/Reed family.

The other package was a thumb drive from Brad Quinlan. In June, he posted in the Facebook group, Descendants of Andersonville Prison, that he was making a trip to Washington, D.C. to do research and had time to take on more clients during that trip. Even though I had already requested the military and pension files for my civil war ancestors from the national archives, I did not know at the time about requesting the ENTIRE file. Not knowing what I might be missing, I elected to inquire about whether he had time to fulfill my requests. He did have time to take on my requests and a thumb drive arrived recently containing the images obtained from those files.

In both cases, there was an exchange of money. However, what I spent obtaining the records was a small percentage of what it would cost to pay travel expenses for me to obtain them myself.

I am thankful to have these records. Now, I have lots of work to do to get these transcribed!

- Probate Record for John Ricketts (2MTW-355)
- Partition file for John Ricketts' estate
- Probate record for Mary Reed (KLVH-CFM)
- Military file for George Mentzer (LHKS-17Q)
- Pension file for George Mentzer
- Military file for James M. Ricketts (KV21-XBR)
- Pension file for James M. Ricketts

- Military file for Noah Briles (K2Q1-RG9)
- Pension file for Noah Briles
- Military files (3 of them) for Richmond F. Hammond (2B2M-GXK)
- Pension file for Richmond F. Hammond
- Military file for Washington Marion Crawford (KHFD-XRW)
- Pension file for Washington Marion Crawford

William A. Duggins

Tuesday, September 20, 2022

William A. Duggins was born on 19 Nov 1794 in Amherst, Virginia, United States. 1 – 2

He moved to Ohio, United States about 1809. 3

About 1810, he was a member of the 1st church of Eaton called "the old Public Church" in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States. 4 the 1st church of Eaton called "the old Public Church"

William lived in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States on 1 Jul 1820 with a household containing 1 male 10-16, 1 male 26-45, and 1 female 16-26, listed as Wm Dougan. 5

He was listed on the tax rolls for personal property in 1827 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 6

He purchased land being 80 acres in the W 1/2 NW 1/4 S10T7R2 from Joseph Jr. and Elizabeth Sellers for \$350 on 28 Dec 1827 in Preble County, Ohio. 7

William was listed on the tax rolls for personal property in 1828 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 8

He was listed on the tax rolls for personal property in 1829 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 9

He was listed on the tax rolls for 160 acres in the NW 1/4 of S10 T7 R2 in 1830 in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States. 10

William lived in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States in Jul 1830 with a household containing 2 males 5-10, 1 male 10-15, 1 male 30-40 and 1 female 30-40. 11 with a household containing 2 males 5-10, 1 male 10-15, 1 male 30-40 and 1 female 30-40, listed as William Dugans

He purchased land being part of the NW quarter of section 10 in township7 of range 2 containing 60 acres for \$350 from Joseph Sellers on 15 Dec 1830 in Preble County, Ohio. 12

He was listed on the tax rolls for 160 acres in the NW S10T7R2 in 1831 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 13

William was listed on the tax rolls for 160 acres in the NW of S10T7R2 in 1832 in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States. 14

He sold land being the S 1/2 of Section 30 in Township 23 N of Range 9 W to Nelson G Crawford for \$1600 on 3 Sep 1833 in Pine Township, Warren, Indiana, United States. 15

He was listed on the tax rolls for 160 acres in the NW 1/4 S10T7R2 and 160 acres in the NE 1/4 S10T7R2 in 1834 in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States. 16

William purchased land being 20 acre portion on East side NW 1/4 S10T7R2 and 160 acres being NE 1/4 S10T7R2 from Joseph Sellers and his wife Rachel for \$2300 on 9 Jan 1834 in Preble County, Ohio. 17

He was listed on the tax rolls for 160 acres in the NW and 160 acres in the NE of S10 T7 R2 in 1836 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 18

He was listed on the tax rolls for 160 acres in the NW and 160 acres in the NE of S10 T7 R2 in 1837 in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States. 19

William was listed on the tax rolls for 160 acres in the NW and 160 acres in the NE of S10 T7 R2 in 1838 in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States. 20

He lived in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States in Jul 1840 with a household containing 1 male 10-15, 2 males 15-20, 1 male 40-50, 1 female 5-10 and 1 female 30-40. 21

He purchased on 17 Mar 1849 in Preble County, Ohio. 22 land being 40 acre portion SE 1/4 and 127 acre portion NE 1/4 S17T7R2 from George Crane for \$3340

William lived in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States on 29 Jul 1850. 23 Wm A Duggins was listed as a 55 year old male who was born in Virginia on the 1850 census. According to the census, he owned \$13000 in real estate. Also listed in the household was Sarah, a 52 year old female born in Kentucky; Henry A Duggins, a 28 year old male born in Ohio; Wm N. Duggins, a 25 year old male born in Ohio; Sarah A Duggins, a 21 year old female born in Ohio and Sarah D Duggins, a 17 year old female born in Ohio.

He filed land entry papers for the W1/2 of the SE 1/4 and the E 1/2 of the SW 1/4 and the Nee 1/4 of the SE 1/4 and the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of section 30 in township 23N of range 9W in the District of lands subject to sale at Crawfordsville, Indiana on 1 Jul 1852 in Warren County, Indiana. 24

He filed land entry papers SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 and the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of section 30 in township 23 North of range 9 West in the district of lands subject to sale at Crawfordsville, Indiana containing 26 94/100 acres on 1 Aug 1853 in Warren County, Indiana. 25

William sold land being part of NW 1/4 S10 T7 R2 described as follows measuring N 42 2/3 rods thence from the southwest corner of said lot 6 rods due East thence 13 1/2 due north to the NE corner of said lot the center of the county road is the West line of said lot to the Board of Education of Washington Township on 3 Sep 1855 in Preble County, Ohio. 26

He sold land being same parcel of land deeded by Nelson G. Crawford to W. A. Duggins being the W 1/2 NW 1/4 S14T7R2 containing 77 acres to C. J. White for \$2000 on 18 Jan 1856 in Preble County, Ohio. 27 being same parcel of land deeded by Nelson G. Crawford to W. A. Duggins being the W 1/2 NW 1/4 S14T7R2 containing 77 acres to C. J. White for \$2000

He sold land being 84 66/100 acres in N part SE 1/4 and S part NE 1/4 S17T7R2 to Henry J. Duggins on 10 Mar 1857 in Preble County, Ohio. 28

William sold land being the north part of the NE quarter of section 17 in township 7 range 2 to Benjamin A. Duggins for \$3000 on 2 Sep 1857 in Preble County, Ohio. 29

He lived a 66 year old male farmer born Virginia and was listed as William Duggins in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States on 1 Jul 1860. 30 – 31

He filed land entry papers in 1865 in Pottawattamie, Iowa, United States. 32 – 33

William died on 18 Feb 1872 at the age of 77 in Preble County, Ohio. 1 – 2 , 34 – 35

He was buried at Mound Hill Cemetery in Eaton, Preble County, Ohio. 1 – 2 , 34

He had his estate probated on 26 Feb 1872 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 36

William A. Duggins and Sally Neal were married on 29 Apr 1819 in Preble County, Ohio. 37 – 41

Sally Neal, daughter of Benjamin Neal and Mary Sellers, was born on 21 Jun 1798 in Harrison, Kentucky, United States. 2 , 34 , 42

She lived in Ohio, United States in 1809. 42

She lived a 52 year old white female born Kentucky and was listed as Sarah Duggins in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States on 29 Jul 1850. 43 – 44

Sally lived a 60 year old female and was listed as Sally Duggins in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States on 1 Jul 1860. 30

She died on 19 Dec 1871 at the age of 73 in Preble County, Ohio. 2 , 34 , 45

She was buried at Mound Hill Cemetery in Eaton, Preble County, Ohio. 2 , 34

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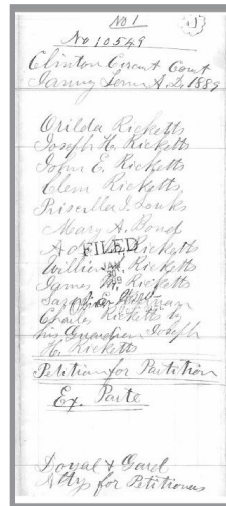
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Ricketts Partition

Wednesday, September 21, 2022

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State of Indiana
County of Clinton
Clinton Circuit Court
January Term AD 1889

Petition for Partition

Orilda Ricketts
Joseph H Ricketts
John E Ricketts
Clem Ricketts
Priscilla I Louks
Mary A. Bond
Ada M. Ricketts
William [L] Ricketts
James M Ricketts
Sarah Kinnan
Joseph H Ricketts guardian of Charles Ricketts

The petitioners above
named would respectfully represent to
the court that John Ricketts died
on the __ day of December 1889 the
described real estate situate in
Clinton County and State of Ind
iana to wit The North East quarter of
Section Fourteen (14) and the South East

quarter of the North West quarter of
Section fourteen (14) and the North west
Quarter of the South East quarter of
Section fourteen (14) the East half of the
South west quarter of Section Fourteen
(14) and the East half of the North West
fractional quarter of section twenty three

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(23) except twenty acres off the South end
of the last described tract all in
Township Twenty one (21) North of
Range two (2) East
That Orilda Ricketts is the widow
of said John Ricketts deceased and is
the owner of the undivided one
third of the above described real
estate. and that Joseph H. Ricketts
John E. Ricketts Clem Ricketts Priscilla
[I] Louks Mary A Bond Ada M Ricketts
William S Ricketts James M Ricketts
Sarah E. Kinnan and Charles Ricketts
are the children of John Ricketts deceased
and that the above named parties and
petitioner, are the only heirs at law
of said decedent. and that Charles
Ricketts is a minor and has for his
guardian Joseph H. Ricketts who joins
for him in this petition that the
above named children and petitioner
are each the owner of one fifteenth
of said real estate. That they all
join in this petition and ask that
the above described real estate be
partition and that one third in value
thereof be set off to Orilda Ricketts, and
that one fifteen in value thereof be set
of to each of the other petitioners and
they respectfully ask that commissioners be
appointed to make partition of said
lands among said petitioners

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according to their respective
intent as herein set out and
report the same at this term of court
Doyal & Gard
Atty for Petitioners

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No 10549

Clinton Circuit Court
Janry Term A.D. 1889

Orilda Ricketts
Joseph H. Ricketts
John E. Ricketts
Clem Ricketts
Persilla I Louks
Mary A Bond
Ada M Ricketts
William S Ricketts
James M Ricketts
Sarah E Kinnan
Charles Ricketts by
his guardian Joseph
H. Ricketts
Petitioner for Partition
Ex. Parte
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Atty for Petitioners

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State of Indiana
Clinton County
Clinton Circuit Court
Janry Term AD 1889

Orildee Ricketts
Joseph H Ricketts
John E Ricketts
et al

Ex Parte No 10549
To the Hon Allen E.
Paige Judge of the Clinton Circuit Court
In pursuance of and in obedi
ence to the certified copy of the decree ren
dered in the above entitled cause issued
under the seal of said court and delivered
to us Lincoln Cox Thomas [Tuder] and
Henry Nelson Commissioners therein
named tested Feb 1 1889, which was
and is our commission and which
is hereto annexed we hereby respect
fully report that having first been
duly sworn and caused the oath
to be endorsed upon said com
mission we have examined the
premises described in said commiss

ion and we have set off to James M.
Ricketts the East half of the North west fractional quarter
of section twenty three (23) in township
twenty one (21) North of range two (2) East
except eight (8) acres off the north end and
twenty acres of the South end of said
tract containing thirty (30) acres
To Sarah E. Kinnan we have set off
eight acres off the north end of the Est half of the North

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west fractional quarter of section twenty
three (23) and twenty two (22) acres off the
South end of the East half of the south
west quarter of section fourteen (14)
all in township twenty one (21) north
of range two (2) East containing thirty acres

To William S Ricketts we have set off
eighteen (18) acres off the North end
of the South East quarter of the South
west quarter of Section fourteen (14)
and twelve (12) acres off the west end
of the South half of the North East
quarter of th South Wes quarter of
Section Fourteen (14) all in township
twenty one (21) North of range two 2 East
containing thirty acres

To Joseph H. Ricketts we have set off
the North half of the North East quarter
of the South West quarter of Section
fourteen (14) and ten (10) acres off the
South end of the South East quarter
of the North West quarter of Section
fourteen (14) all in township twenty
one (21) North of Range two (2) East
containing thirty acres

To Mary A. Bond we have set off the
South East quarter of the North West quar
ter of section fourteen (14) in town-

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ship twenty one north of range two
(2) east except ten acres off the South
end thereof

To Ada M Ricketts we have set off the
South West quarter of the North East
quarter of section fourteen (14) in
township twenty one (21) north of

Range two (2) Est except ten (10) acres
off the south end thereof

To Perscilla I Louks we have set off
the North West quarter of the North
East quarter of section fourteen (14)
in township Twenty one (21) North
of Range two (2) Est except ten (10)
acres off the east side thereof

To Clem Ricketts we have set off
Ten (10) acres off the Est side of the [north]
west quarter of the North east quarter of
Section fourteen (14) and ten acres off
the west side of the North east
quarter of the North east quarter
of section fourteen (14) and ten acres
off the North side of the South East
quarter of the North East quarter of
section fourteen (14) all in township
twenty one (21) north of range two 2
Est containing thirty acres

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To John E. Ricketts we have set off the
North east quarter of the North East quarter
of section fourteen (14) in township
twenty one (21) [north] of range two (2) East
except ten (10) acres off the west side thereof

To Charles Ricketts we have set off the
South East quarter of the North East
quarter of section fourteen (14) in township
twenty one (21) north of Range two (2) Est
Except ten (10) acres off the North end
thereof

To Orilda M. Ricketts we have set off the
North West quarter of the South East
quarter of section fourteen (14) and
ten (10) acres off the south side of the
South West quarter of the North East
quarter of section fourteen (14) and
eight acres off the East end of the
South half of the North East quarter
of the South West quarter of section
fourteen (14) all in township twenty
one North of Range two (2) East contain
ing fifty eight (58) acres
All of which is respectfully
submitted
Lincoln Cox

Henry Nelson
Thomas [Tudor]

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which is by the court
4 and [approved] the
com allow \$3 paid of
Signed Feb 11th 1889
Fnd og feb 8th 29th day

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And did then appoint you the said Lincoln Cox, Thomas
Tudor and Henry Nelson
Commissioners, to make partition of said tract or lot of land, and said Commissioners
are hereby ordered after taking the oath required by law, to proceed to set apart
the same to the said parties in the following proportion to wit: to the said
To Orilda Ricketts one third (1/3) and
to Joseph Ricketts one fifteenth (1/15)
to John E Ricketts one fifteenth (1/15)
Clem Ricketts one fifteenth (1/15)
Percilla I Louks one fifteenth (1/15)
Mary A Bond one fifteenth (1/15)
Ada M. Ricketts one fifteenth (1/15)
Wm S Ricketts one fifteenth (1/15)
James M Ricketts one fifteenth (1/15)
Sarah Kinnan one fifteenth (1/15)
Joseph H Ricketts, guardian of
Charles Ricketts one fifteenth (1/15)
and that you make report of your proceedings in the premises during the
January Term, 1889 of said Court
Witness, the Clerk and Seal of said Court, at Frankfort
this 1st day of February A.D. 1889
Olive Gard Clerk
Clinton Circuit Court

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State of Indiana, Clinton County, ss:
Clinton Circuit Court, January Term 1889
The State of Indiana to Lincoln Cox, Thomas
Tudor and Henry Nelson
Whereas, in a certain proceeding for the Partition of real estate, now Pending in
the Clinton circuit Court of said State, wherein Orilda Ricketts
Joseph Ricketts John E Ricketts Clem Ricketts
Percilla Louks Mary A Bond Ida M Ricketts
William S Ricketts James M Ricketts Sarah Kinnan
and Joseph H Ricketts guardian of Charles Ricketts

the Court did then and there on the 30th day of January
A.D. 1889, award judgment of partition of the following tract or lot of land, situ
ate in said County, to wit:
The North East quarter of section fourteen (14)
and the South East quarter of the Northwest quarter

of section fourteen (14) and the north west quarter
of the South East quarter of section fourteen (14) the
east half of the South west quarter of section
fourteen (14) and the East half of the North west
fractional quarter of section twenty three (23)
except twenty (20) acres off the South End of
the last described tract all in Township twenty one
(21) North of Range two 2) East

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Oath

State of Indiana, Clinton County, ss:

We, Lincoln Cox, Henry Nelson and

Thomas Tudor

do each and severally solemnly swear that we will discharge the duties of Commis
sioners, in accordance with the within order, to the best of our ability; so help us God
Lincoln ox

Henry Nelson

Thomas Tudor

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of February A.D. 1889

Samuel H Doyal

Notary Public

No 10549

Clinton Circuit Court

January Term 1889

Orilda Ricketts Et al

E Parte

filed

Feb 8 1889

Oliver [Gard]

Order to

Lincoln Cox

Thomas Tudor

Henry Nelson

Commissioners to Make Partition

Doyal & Gard

Attorney

Box 778 File 4

No.. 10549

Orilda Ricketts

Joseph H. Ricketts

John E Ricketts

Clem Ricketts Etal

Exparte

Clinton Circuit Court

January Term 1889

Filed January 30 1889

Oliver Gard

By

Court Room, Box No. 29

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Clovia

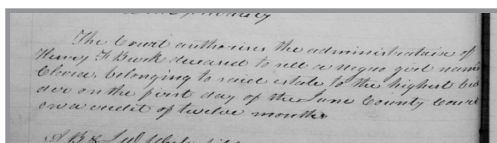
Thursday, September 22, 2022

Have you ever come across something in your genealogy files that challenges you to develop new skills? That's my situation as I'm reviewing the records I have for Henry Burke of Platte County, Missouri.

Henry Burke's estate had several entries in the 1846 court records after his death in 1845. One of those entries is for the approval to sell a slave named Clovia.

The court authorizes the administration of Henry F Burk deceased to sell a negro girl named Clovia, belonging to said estate to the highest bidder on the first day of the June county court on a audit of twelve months.

Platte County, Missouri, Court Record, v. 1 1839-1846, image 256; Elizabeth Burke; FamilySearch, <http://www.familysearch.org>; FHL microfilm 988945 / #007631728.



Although I was vaguely aware that the BURKE family likely owned slaves while living in Platte County, I had never done any research in slave records. Now, that I'm aware of Clovia, I've gone back to see what other information I can find for the BURKE family and their slave holdings.

I started this search with the 1850 slave schedules for Platte County. In those records, I found Henry Burke's widow, Elizabeth listed with one 19 year old female slave. Since this record is 4 years after the order to sell Clovia, it appears that the BURKE family had owned at least 2 female slaves.

Elizabeth Burke	1	19	7	18
Henry Burke	1	19	7	18

1850 U.S. Census, Platte County, Missouri, Slave Schedule, Marshall Township, Platte County, Missouri Image 2 of 5, line 19, Elizh Burke; digital images, Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com) : viewed online 3 September 2022)

Going back to the 1840 census, the Henry Burke household is shown on the census in Platte County, Missouri with 2 total slaves.

Henry S Burk

in the 1840 United States Federal Census

✓ Saved to: [Burke, Henry F. in tree "Heartland Genealogy - Crawford, Currey, Briles, Mentzer"](#) [Remove](#)

Detail

Source

Name: [Henry S Burk](#)
[\[Henry S Burk\]](#)
[\[Henry S Burk\]](#)

Home in 1840 (City, County, State): [Platte, Missouri](#)

Free White Persons - 1	1
Males - Under 5	
Free White Persons - 1	1
Males - 20 thru 20	
Free White Persons - 2	2
Females - Under 5	
Free White Persons - 1	1
Females - 20 thru 20	
Slaves - Males - Under 10	1
Slaves - Females - Under 10	1
Persons Employed in Agriculture	1
Free White Persons - 3	3
Under 20	
Free White Persons - 20	2
thru 40	
Total Free White Persons	5
Total Slaves	2
Total All Persons - Free	7
White, Free, Colored	

The book, Platte County, Missouri Records 1839-1849, 1840 Federal Census, Sale of Sixteenth section 1842 Land Records and Tax Lists of 1839, 1847 and 1849 contains a transcription of the 1847 tax list is on page 147. This shows Elizabeth Burk with 1 slave valued at \$400.

1847 PLATTE COUNTY TAX LIST												
NAME OF PERSONS	PL	SLY	REV	H	M	C	CH	CH	VAL	MO	SAL	TAX-STATE
SEX	VAL											CHY TOTAL COM
												TAX TAX TAX FOR
Balchuk Richard	1	0	0	2	0	4	1	0	90	0	0	90 0.575 0.251 1.096
Barnes Henry	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	30	0	0	30 0.435 0.492 0.906 .25
Brown Buell	1	2	600	1	0	3	1	0	65	0	0	665 1.795 1.253 4.748 .25
Stanley C. W.	1	0	0	2	0	3	0	0	50	0	0	50 0.475 0.272 1.026
Brown J. M.	1	0	0	3	0	5	0	0	115	0	0	115 0.505 0.835 1.640
Bowering Peter	1	0	0	4	0	6	0	0	150	0	0	150 1.275 1.175 4.450
Baldwin A. T.	1	0	0	2	0	3	0	0	75	0	0	75 0.525 0.475 1.208 .25
Bauer R. C.	1	0	0	3	0	2	0	0	55	0	0	55 0.485 0.392 1.080 .25
Bracefield Chasly	1	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	45	0	0	45 0.445 0.555 1.026
Burton J.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.375 0.375 0.750
Wade S. J.	1	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	75	0	0	75 0.525 0.675 1.206 .25
Banning W.	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	10	0	15 0.435 0.435 0.860
Balden James	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	40	0	0	40 0.455 0.525 0.996
Brown Elizabeth	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	40	0	0	40 0.980 0.160 0.296
Brown James	1	2	500	0	0	2	0	0	15	0	0	565 1.595 2.625 4.190
Baker W. J.	1	1	700	2	0	5	1	0	100	0	0	820 0.815 1.655 3.470
Burth G. W.	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	35	0	0	35 0.445 0.515 0.960
Barnett William	1	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	50	0	0	50 0.475 0.515 1.058
Bucile W.	1	0	0	2	0	4	0	0	80	0	0	80 0.575 0.695 1.278
Barnson H. J.	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	15	0	0	15 0.405 0.435 0.860
Brown James	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	35	0	0	35 0.445 0.515 0.960
Blanchard G.	1	0	0	5	0	7	0	0	200	75	0	275 0.925 1.425 2.408
Black C. W.	1	0	0	2	0	3	1	0	85	0	0	85 0.515 0.715 1.260 .25
Brown Abraham	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	45	0	0	45 0.445 0.525 1.020
Bony Richard	1	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	45	0	0	45 0.130 0.260 0.396
Bony Jacobus	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	20 0.415 0.455 0.870
Bryd W.	1	0	0	3	0	7	0	0	135	0	0	135 0.445 0.915 1.566
Blake Henry	1	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	75 0.505 0.625 1.208 .25
Brown A. W.	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20 0.415 0.450 0.878 .25
Baker Jonathan	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	88 0.535 0.495 1.230
Bony John	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75 0.505 0.625 1.208
Bellinger Edward	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	50 0.475 0.515 1.050
Buciler John	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	38 0.076 0.152 0.221
Buciler L. J.	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	20	0	0	20 0.415 0.455 0.870
Bony Peter	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	35	0	0	35 0.445 0.515 0.960
Bryd George	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.375 0.375 0.750
Bark Hiram	1	1	420	1	0	3	1	0	110	0	0	510 1.885 2.960 5.060
Barnett W. R.	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	15	0	0	15 2.795 1.425 11.360
Balden W.	1	2	1000	2	0	2	0	0	90	150	0	1240 2.855 5.325 8.190

Platte County Missouri Records 1839-1849: 1840 Federal Census, Sale of Sixteenth Secion, 1842 Land Records and Tax Lists of 1839, 1847, and 1849 (Platte City, Missouri: Platte County Historical Society, 1993), p. 147 (Burke.MO.055)

ON page 195 of the same book, a transcribed list of 1849 tax payers includes Elizabeth Burk. This entry shows Elizabeth Burk with 1 slave valued at \$250.

PLATTE COUNTY, MISSOURI										
1849 TAX LIST										
NAME	PL	LEV	VAL	OTER	RENT	SALT	TAX	STAT	CHY	TOTAL
				PTY			ABLE	TAX	TAX	TAX
Burke L. B.	1	4	1400	296	400	0	2004	4.385	6.389	10.779
Burke L. W.	1	0	0	75	0	0	75	0.525	0.409	1.125
Burn John	1	0	0	129	0	0	129	0.615	0.755	1.350
Burnham, George	0	0	0	85	0	0	85	0.270	0.225	0.425
Burner, W. B.	1	0	0	55	0	0	55	0.485	0.540	1.025
Burns John	1	0	0	202	140	0	342	1.055	1.399	2.450
Burrows Bird	1	0	0	96	0	0	96	0.240	0.440	1.025
Burrows W. B.	1	0	0	12	0	0	12	0.205	0.495	0.800
Burrows W. B.	1	7	2050	86	0	0	2144	4.445	0.810	11.475
Bullinger Jacob	1	0	0	129	0	0	129	0.615	0.755	1.400
Bullinger Sebastian	1	0	0	45	0	0	45	0.445	0.510	0.975
Burns Levi	1	2	630	40	0	0	670	1.755	2.445	4.200
Burnell David	0	0	0	10	0	0	10	0.000	0.030	0.030
Burney Jacob	0	7	2100	213	500	0	2813	5.425	1.440	14.045
Burney L. B.	1	0	0	50	0	0	50	0.475	0.525	1.000
Burney W. L.	1	0	0	50	0	0	50	0.475	0.475	1.000
Burnell W. S.	1	0	0	152	0	0	152	0.675	0.825	1.500
Burnell Jonathan	0	0	0	36	500	0	536	1.115	1.485	2.600
Burns John	1	0	0	636	400	0	1036	2.445	1.400	5.925
Burns Ann	0	0	0	100	0	0	100	0.200	0.300	0.500
Burns John	1	0	0	50	0	0	50	0.475	0.525	1.000
Burnell Stephen	1	0	0	40	0	0	40	0.485	0.540	1.025
Burns James	1	0	0	20	0	0	20	0.415	0.435	0.850
Burns B. F.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.275	0.375	0.750
Burns Lewis	1	0	0	75	0	0	75	0.425	0.750	1.175
Burns R. G.	1	0	0	155	0	0	155	0.485	0.840	1.125
Burns Jacob	1	0	0	125	0	0	125	0.425	0.750	1.175
Burns Mary	1	1	150	0	0	0	150	0.475	0.825	1.500
Burns W. D.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.475	0.375	0.750
Burns James	1	0	0	50	0	0	50	0.475	0.500	1.000
Burns Mary	0	0	0	10	0	0	10	0.020	0.020	0.050
Burns Galia	1	0	0	50	0	0	50	0.475	0.525	1.000
Burns W. B.	1	0	0	20	0	0	20	0.415	0.435	0.850
Burns C. C.	1	0	0	970	1000	0	1970	2.835	1.065	4.900
Burns Elizabeth	1	1	750	15	0	0	765	0.410	0.915	1.325
Burns Thomas	1	0	0	40	130	0	170	0.235	0.445	1.100
Burns P. J.	1	1	500	150	0	0	650	1.475	2.325	4.300
Burns R. B.	1	0	0	120	40	0	170	0.705	0.875	1.575

Platte County Missouri Records 1839-1849: 1840 Federal Census, Sale of Sixteenth Secion, 1842 Land Records and Tax Lists of 1839, 1847, and 1849 (Platte City, Missouri: Platte County Historical Society, 1993), p. 195 (Burke.MO.055)

Going forward to the 1860 slave schedule, a listing for Elizabeth Burke is not found. Thus, it appears that Elizabeth Burke may have sold her second slave between 1850 and 1860.

Even though I have no previous experience with slave research, I had heard of the Slave Name Roll Project. Thus, I searched for more information about the project, including how to submit a name.

We hope you will consider making contributions to this project as you find source documents which name slaves in your research. Simply leave a comment on any post. Please include the following information:

1. Name of the enslaved (usually only a given name)
2. Name of the slave owner
3. Source of the information (will, estate inventory, court case, deed, etc.)
4. Date and location of the source information

Thank you for your contributions!

Slave Name Roll Project – <http://slavenamerollproject.blogspot.com/p/about-project.html>

Thus, I located an entry for Missouri and added a comment to get Clovia added to the list.



Marcia Crawford Philbrick September 3, 2022 at 11:56 AM

Name of enslaved person: Clovia

Name of slave owner: Elizabeth Burke, widow of Henry Burke

Source: Platte County, Missouri, Court Record, v. 1 1839-1846, Image 256; Elizabeth Burke;

FamilySearch, www.familysearch.org: FHL microfilm 988945 / #007631726, Image 256.

Date and Location: 4 May 1846, Platte County, Missouri

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Elkanah Bland

Friday, September 23, 2022

#Friday Find

Instead of posting about some record I have buried in my files, this post is about a recent find. While trying to locate court records for the estate of Elizabeth Bland Burke in the Platte County, Missouri records, I was also following leads to BLAND records since some of her siblings migrated from Tennessee to Missouri at the same time Elizabeth and her husband Henry Burke did.

In volume G of those court records is a testimony by Alfred Kirkpatrick, whom I believe to be the husband of Mahala Bland [K87B-G3M] and thus the brother-in-law to Elizabeth Burke. In this testimony, Alfred Kirkpatrick discusses the death of Elkanah Bland, son of William Bland and his wife Polly M. Bland. Not only does this testimony identify the parents of Elkanah but also the mother and grandfather of Polly M. Bland!

At this time, I can't find this particular family on the FamilySearch tree. It is possible the Cynthia Anderson mentioned in the record is Cynthia Sims Anderson [KNBR-RY3] and daughter of William Sims [LDYT-2FY]. Hopefully, other researchers of Cynthia Sims Anderson can use this find to place Elkanah Bland in the tree.

Platte County, Missouri
Court record, 1839-1887; probate docket 1894-1901

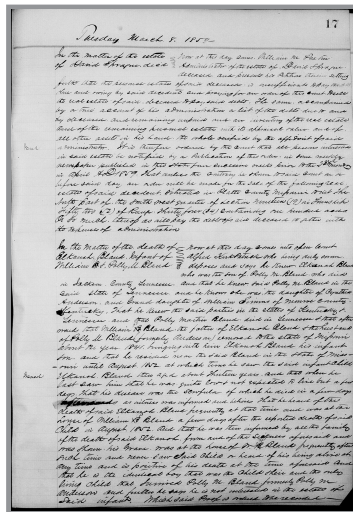
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Bland Elkanoh 17
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Tuesday March 8, 1859

In the matter of the death of
Elkanah Bland Infant of
William B & Polly M Bland

Now at this day comes into open court
Alfred Kirkpatrick who being duly sworn
deposes and says he knew Elkanah Bland
who was the son of Polly M. Bland who died
in Jackson County, Tennessee and that he knew said Polly M. Bland in the
said state of Tennessee and he knows she was the daughter of Cynthia
Anderson and Grand daughter of William Simms of Monroe County
Kentucky. That he knew the said parties in the state of Kentucky &
Tennessee and that Polly Martin Bland died in Tennessee & that after
wards that William B P Bland the father of Elkanah Bland & the husband
of Polly M Bland (formerly Anderson) removed to the state of Missouri
about the year 1841, bringing with him Elkanah Bland his infant
son. and that he resided near the said Bland in the state of Miss-
ouri until August 1852 at which time he saw the said infant child

Elkanah Bland then aged about thirteen years and that when he last saw him that he was quit [low] & not expected to live but a few days. That his disease was the [scrofula] of which he died in a few days afterwards as witness was informed and believes that he heard of the death of said Elkanah Bland frequently at that time and was at the house of William B P Bland a few days after the reported death of said child in August 1852 and that he was then informed by all the family of the death of said Elkanah from and of the sickness aforesaid and was shown his grave was at the house of W B P Bland frequently after such time and never say said child or heard of his being alive at any time and is positive of his death at the time aforesaid and that he is the identical boy that was the child & heir and the only living child that survived Polly M. Bland formerly Polly M. Anderson and further he says he is not interested in the estate of said infant. Which said proof is ordered to be recorded



Saturday Tidbits

Saturday, September 24, 2022

Draft Order

(Official List Continued)

The Courier Tribune

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1451 Charles Casper Bauer
1452 Leo John Heideman
1453 Loren Henry Carpenter
1454 Bernard James Heideman
1455 Judd Allen Austin
1456 Donald Eugene Little
1457 LeRoy August Ritchie
1458 Joy Lee Meyer
1459 Wm Wesley Ralston
1460 Freeman Johnathan Davis
1461 Marvin Mefford Brammer
1462 Karl Peter Werner
1463 Leo Anthony Muetting
1464 Edwin Frank Brucken
1465 Walter Lee Hess
1466 Elmer Bernard Brinker
1457 Elmer Woodrow Lindeen
1468 Albert Louis W Rogers
1469 Bernard A. Niehues, Jr
1470 Lawrence Dale Freel
1471 Emil C. Strahm
1472 Walter Plattner
1473 Vern Bernard Melcher
1474 Floyd Wessel Clarkson
1475 Andrew Wm Broxterman
1476 John Peter Waller
1477 Callistus Jacob Kramer
1478 Paul Fangman
1479 Edwin L. Roggenkamp
1480 Ross Edgar George
1481 Zeno Merlin Miller
1482 Leonard Sylvester Becker
1483 Thomas Bernard Wichman
1484 Elmer Taft Keck
1485 Leo Henry Buessing
1486 Leslie Charles Little
1487 Archie Edward Armstrong
1488 Tim Brunner
1489 Asa Robert Campbell
1490 Wm. Audry Srite
1491 Frank Roscoe Fidler

1492 Mathias Christian Rochel
1493 Arthur Randolph Barrett
14949 Peter Wm. Schmits
1495 Roy Welcome Moore
1496 Glen Wesely Norrie
1497 Clarence Warren Feek
1498 Lawrence August Weyer
1499 Kenneth Neidert Carpenter
1500 Wm. James Hopper
1501 Henry Armond Rachand
1502 Vincent Peter Koch
1503 Carl Fred Schmelzle
1504 Edwin Levicent kill
1505 Otix Kenneth Kooser
1506 Lyle Eugene Bennett
1507 Nathan Leonard Allison
1508 Charles Francis Koch
1509 Rolin Baldwin Barrett
1510 Klenn Oran Alexander
1511 Donald Jefferson Kehler
1512 George Irving Althouse Jr
1513 Leo Bernard Tangeman
1514 Charles Wilbur Nichols
1515 Harold Ambrose Davis
1516 Donald Joseph Winkler
1517 Ivan Reuben Strahm
1518 Wm. Raymond Karnowski
1519 Donald Lebert Godbout
1520 Dale Franklin Barrett
1521 Loren Dale Cook
1522 Clyde Clinton Rucker
1523 Raymond Monroe Chandler
1524 Roy Bunce Palmer
1525 Arthur Merle Usher
1526 Richard Harold Potter
1527 Rolland Frank Clarkson
1528 Rx Arthur Campfield
1529 Lawrence A. Mueting
1530 Albert Charles Lafond
1531 Harold Earl Leedy
1532 Walter Francis Clelland
1533 Melvin Albert Johnson
1534 Paul Joseph Stallbaumer
1535 Virgil Evan Brown
1536 Clark Merritt Reece
1537 Butler Burnard Hedrick
1538 Mell D. Kennedy
1539 Andrew Julius Haverkamp
1540 Dale LeRoy Mishler
1541 Melvin Wm. Brunner
1542 Raphael Howard Sneed
1543 Lawrence Jacob Schurman

1544 Philip Henry Huerter
1545 Charley Madison Frey Jr
1546 Andrew Jackson Crane
154 Orville Edwin Bell
1548 Vilas Darl Smith
1549 John Samuel Graney
1550 Russell Vaughn Collins

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

Sunday, September 25, 2022



It's Saturday Night –

time for more Genealogy Fun!

Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible music here) is to:

1) Think of any number of genealogy events or moments that make you have a genealogy happy dance, an ah-ha moment.

As I've been working on my genealogy for over 40 years, there have been many 'ah-ha' moments over the years.

Trips

- Trips to Salt Lake City to research at the Family History Library – I was able to take two bus trips to Salt Lake to spend a week at the library. Later, a family trip to the Tetons had a 'detour' thru Salt Lake City where we spent a few days researching.
- Trip to Kentucky and Ohio to research at The Filson Library, the Kentucky Historical Society, the University of Kentucky library, the Preble County (OH) courthouse and the Eaton Public library.
- Trip to Oregon following the Oregon Trail and researching at Baker, LaGrande, and the Oregon Historical society.
- Trip to Des Moines to research at the Iowa Archives and the Iowa Genealogical Society library.
- Trip to Indiana to research in Warren, Montgomery and Tippecanoe counties.
- Trip to Independence Missouri to read Oregon Trail diaries (even though I didn't find my relative.)

Research Finds

- Receiving copies of family Bible records in the mail — CRAWFORD and WELLS

DNA

- Testing my own DNA
- Testing my brothers' and my mother's DNA
- Connecting with a DNA match who is a grand-daughter of a 1st cousin
- Testing my brothers' yDNA
- yDNA results that show a potential connection with descendants of two other men named James Crawford from the area of Garrard County, Kentucky
- DNA results that support my CURREY line of research

Favorite 'Moments'

- Digitization of Newspapers
- Digitization of FamilySearch microfilm
- Seneca Public Library agreeing to become an Affiliate Library
- Any time I can connect with another researcher and exchange information!

Death Date

Monday, September 26, 2022

Do you have an ancestor in your tree whose death date and place is unknown? That's been my struggle with my 3rd great grandmother, Elizabeth Ann Bland Burke.

Elizabeth's husband, Henry Burke died in 1845. He is buried in Laurel Hill Cemetery in Weston, Missouri. Elizabeth Burke is found on the 1850 and 1860 census living in Platte County, Missouri. However, she is not there in 1870. Nor, have I been able to find an Elizabeth Burke living across the Missouri River in Kansas.

Since Mrs. Jane Burke married Joseph Moore in 1866, I've wondered whether Mrs. Jane Burke was my missing Elizabeth Ann Burke. However, I've never found anything connecting Mrs. Jane Moore to the children of Henry and Elizabeth Burke.

At some point, I located a HORNBUCKEL deed to partition land that Elizabeth Burke had purchased in 1851.

Platte County Missouri
Deed records 1839-1895

Deed Index v. 7-8 1876-1879
Film 988239 DGS 8486504

Vol. 7 p. 584
Image 298

To all to whome these presents shall come
know ye that whereas at the November term 1876 of the
Weston court of Common Pleas of the said county of
Platte in a certain quit then pending in said court
wherein Gilford Hornbuckel and Sarah Hornbuckel
his wife and Hiram Curry and Anglina Curry his wife
were petitioners against John M. Burk and Milton E. Burk.
defendants for the petition of the following described real
estate situate lying and being in the county of Platte
and state of Missouri to wit.

All of the east half of the south west quarter of section (34)
thirty four in township (54) fifty four and range (36) thirty six
lying and being situated in Weston township Platte County
Missouri save and except (1) one acre beginning at the north east
corner of said east half and running thence west (20) twenty poles
thence south (6) six poles thence to the eastern line of said quarter
section then to the beginning and also except all that part
of said east half of said quarter section lying east of Bear
Creek on the southeast corner of said East half.

The said court then and these decreed that partition of
said land be made among the parties according to their
respective interest and it appearing to said court that
said land could not be divided in kind amongst the
parties therein the undersigned Marshall of the Weston

court of common pleas was ordered by said court to sell said real estate and it was thence ordered and decreed by said court that the said marshal proceed to advertise and sell the same according to law all of which facts and orders of court fully appear from the records of said court and whereas a certified copy of said order of sale was duly made out by the clerk of said court and to him the said marshal delivered dated March 12th 1877 and where as in obedience to said order of sale I the said Marshal did cause the said real estate to be advertised for sale for a period of not less than twenty days next preceding the day of the sale hereinafter mentioned by advertisement in the Weston Commercial a newspaper printed in Weston Platte county state aforesaid containing a particular description of the real estate to be sold and stating the time and place and terms of sale and whereas in obedience and conformity to said order of sale and advertisement

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aforesaid I the said marshal did on the 9th day of July 1877 at the July Term of the said court of said last named county for the year 1877 and while said last named court was in session between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of that day proceed to offer and expose to sale at public auction to the highest bidder on the following terms viz for cash in hand at the courthouse door in Weston of said county of Platte the real estate above described and having so offered and exposed the same for sale for a long space of time as aforesaid and Milton E. Burk being the best highest and last bidder for the following described part of said real estate became the purchaser thereof for the price and purse of thirteen hundred and fifty dollars and — cents to wit.

All of the east half of the south west quarter section (34) thirty four in township (54) fifty four of range (36) thirty six lying and being situated in Weston township Platte County Missouri save and except (1) one acre beginning at the northeast corner of said east half and running thence west (20) poles thence south (6) poles thence to the eastern line of the said quarter section thence to the beginning and also except all that part of said east half of said quarter section lying east of Bear creek on the southeast corner of said east half

And whereas the said Milton Burk has fully paid and satisfied to me the full amount of money by him bid as aforesaid for said last described real estate now therefore know all men by these presents that I Joseph B. Evans marshal as aforesaid for and in consideration of the promises and of said sum of

thirteen hundred and fifty —/100 dollars to him in hand paid do
assign transfer and convey and set over unto
the said Milton E Burk heirs and assignees forever as
fully and effectually as I the said marshall by the powers
and authority in me vested in the premises as such
can sell and convey the same
In testimony whereof I the said Marshal have

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her unto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this
12th day of July 1877
Joseph B Evans (seal)
Marshall of the Weston court of Common Pleas

State of Missouri
County of Platte
In the Weston Court of Common Please
July Term AD 1877
Be it remembered that on this fourteenth day of July in the
year of our Lord 1877 before W H Roney Judge of the
Weston Court of Common Pleas within and for the county
aforesaid came into open court Joseph B Evans
Marshal of said Court personally known to said
Judge to be the same person whose name is subscribed
to the foregoing instrument of writing as having execu
ted the same and also know to be the marshall as in
said deed described and then and there in open
court before the said Judge acknowledged the said
instrument to be his act and deed for th purposes therein
mentioned. This certificate of said acknowledgment
being ordered by the said court to be endorsed by
the clerk on this deed.
In testimony whereof I William F Yocum clerk of our
said court have hereunto set my hand and affixed
the seal of said court done at office in Weston
in the county aforesaid
(LS) W F Yocum clerk
Filed for record at 9:30 am October 1st 1877
R L Waller
Recorder of Deeds

Missouri, Platte County. Deed records, 1839-1895. Film #988239 DGS 8486504.
HOrnbuckel, Curry petition, Nov 1876; Vol. 7: page 584-586 (image 298-299); digitized
images, FamilySearch <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 5 September 2022.

Based on the above deed, I concluded that Elizabeth Bland Burke had died prior to
November 1876. Since the deed refers to a case in the Court of Common Pleas, I
decided to see if I could locate any court records.

Unfortunately, the Court of Common Pleas records are not available for Platte County,
Missouri on FamilySearch. However, two other sets of Platte County court records are
available. In Volume N of the Platte County, Missouri Court Records 1839-1887, I found

additional information about the argument between the children: Guilford Hornbuckle and Sarah his wife; Hiram Curry and Angelina, his wife; John M. Burke and Milton E. Burke.

Missouri Circuit Court (Platte County)
Court Records, 1839-1887

Court Records, v. N-O 1875-1881
Film 988428 DGS 8486528

Index image 15
Hornbuckle G et al vs M E Burke 388 407 409
Hornbuckle G et al vs J. M. Burke et al 407 409

Volume N page 388 (Image 231)
Thursday April 5th 1877

Guilford Hornbuckle and Sarah, his wife & Hiram Curry
& Angelina Curry his wife
vs
Milton E. Burke
Now came the parties by their attornies and

Volume N page 389
Thursday, April 5th 1877
announcing themself ready, waive a jury and submit the tract thereof to
the Court; the Court hears the evidence and being fully advised in the premises
finds for the plaintiffs and assesses their damages in the sum of six hun
dred and seventy nine & 92/100 dollars (\$679 92/100) It is therefore consider
ed by the Court that the plaintiffs receive of the defendant the sum of
six hundred and seventy nine and 92/100 dollars (\$679 92/100) so assessed as
aforesaid and their costs and charges herein ex[pended] and have thereof execu
tion

Volume N page 407 (image 240)
Tuesday April 10th 1877
Guilford Hornbuckle & Sarah Hornbuckle his wife
& Hiram Curry & Angelina Curry, his wife
vs
John M. Burke & Milton E. Burke
Now at this day comes
the parties herein
by their attorneys &
this cause coming on
for a hearing, the same is submitten to the Court by agreement; the Court
having duly considered the papers and exhibits therein together with the
arguments of counsel, order, adjudges and decrees that the judgment
rendered herein by the Weston Court of Common Pleas, be affirmed
and that a copy hereof be certified to said Common Pleas Court
(Furnished by J. W. Coburn)

Volume N page 409 (image 241)
Tuesday April 10th 1877

Guilford Hornbuckle & Sarah Hornbuckle his wife
& Hiram Curry and his wife Angelina Curry
vs John M. Burke & Milton E. Burke
Now came the parties by
their attornies and the de
fendants present their mo
tion for a new trial herein
which by agreement is taken up by the Court and overruled & ordered to be balance
on file; also their motion [vs] arrest of the judgment herein which by a
greement is taken up & by the Court overruled & ordered to be placed on file
and thereupon their **affidavit for an appeal hereof to the Supreme Court
of this State**, on consideration of which the Court order that an appeal
be allowed. and the court grants to defendants ten days to file a
bond for said appeal in the sum of \$500 and twenty days
to prepare and file herein their bill of exceptions.

Since the April 1877 court entry indicates that the court “allowed” an appeal to the
Supreme Court, I need to expand my search for additional court records.

However, a search of the set of Platte County, Missouri records group titled “Court
Record, 1839-1887; probate docket 1894-1901” found a court record that helps narrow
down Elizabeth Burke’s death date.

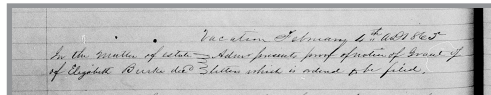
Platte County, Missouri
Court Record, 1839-1887; probate docket 1894-1901

Court Record, v. I 1864-1867
Film 988954 DGS 7631756

Image 7 – Index
Burke Elizabeth 112

page 112 (Image 90)
Vacation February 4th AD 1865
In the matter of estate
of Elizabeth Burke decd
Adm presents proof of motion of Grant of
letters which is ordered to be filed.

Missouri, Platte County. Court Records, 1839-1887. Film #988954 DGS 7631756.
Elizabeth Burke, 4 Feb 1865; Vol. I: page 112 (image 90); digital images, Family Search
<http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 5 September 2022.



Missouri, Platte County. Court Records, 1839-1887. Film #988954 DGS 7631756.
Elizabeth Burke, 4 Feb 1865; Vol. I: page 112 (image 90); digital images, Family Search
<http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 5 September 2022.

Since Elizabeth Burke is listed as ‘dec’d’ in the above record, I have concluded that she

died prior to 4 February 1865.

This 1865 court record not only explains why I couldn't find Elizabeth in the 1870 census records but also verifies that she is NOT the Mrs. Jane Burke that married Joseph Moor.

Henry Burke Probate

Tuesday, September 27, 2022

Have you ever tracked the probate of an estate thru multiple years in court records? Such a task was necessary with the estate of Henry Burke of Platte County, Missouri. In the process, court records had to be searched for both Henry Burke and his wife, Elizabeth Burke

1845 – COURT – Platte County, Missouri

Elizabeth Burke was appointed administrator of the estate of Henry Burke on 3 Nov 1845 in Platte County, Missouri.

And now at this day comes Elizabeth Burke and files here affidavit and on her application this ordered by the court that she be and hereby is appointed administration of the estate of Henry Burke deceased and requires her to execute bond as such administration in the sum of sixteen hundred dollars with approved security and there upon the said Elizabeth Burke one enter her bond as aforesaid in the sum aforesaid with Matthew M. Bland and Alfred Kirkpatrick securities which is received and approved by the court.

Platte County, Missouri, Court Record, v. 1 1839-1846, image 215; Elizabeth Burke; FamilySearch, <http://www.familysearch.org>; FHL microfilm 988945 / #007631728

1846 – COURT – Platte County, Missouri

Elizabeth Burke presented an inventory and bill of sale of the effects for Henry Burke's estate on 5 Jan 1846 in Platte, Missouri, United States.

Now at this day comes Elizabeth Burke administration of the estate of Henry Burke deceased and presents her inventory and sale bill of the effects of said estate which were received by the court and ordered to be preserved on file.

Platte County, Missouri, Court Record, v. 1 1839-1846, image 229; Elizabeth Burke; FamilySearch, <http://www.familysearch.org>; FHL microfilm 988945 / #007631728.

1846 – PROBATE – Platte County, Missouri

Henry Burke's estate was ordered to pay D. P. Wallingford \$56.75 and John G. Burk \$85 on 2 Mar 1846 in Platte, Missouri, United States. [1]

Monday March 2nd 1846
D. P. Wallingford
vs

Estate of H F Burke
Legal notice being duly
served upon the administration of said estate
and the demand of plaintiff being proven
the allows the said plaintiff fifty six dollars
75 cts assigns his demand to the 5th days
John G Burk

Vs
Estate of H F Burke dec'd
Legal notice being
served on the administration of said estate, ordered
by the plaintiffs demand for eighty five dollars be
allowed and assigned to the 5 days.

Platte County, Missouri, Court Record, v. 1 1839-1846, image 255; Elizabeth Burke;
FamilySearch, <http://www.familysearch.org>; FHL microfilm 988945 / #007631728.

1846 – COURT– Platte County, Missouri

A claim for \$122 against the estate of Henry F Burke was granted to William C. Moore on
4 Apr 1846 in Platte, Missouri, United States. [1]

Wednesday April 4th AD 1846
William C Moore
Vs
Henry F Burke Deceased
Notice having been pro
ven, the Court allows the plaintiffs claim of \$122
unto and assigned to the 5th days

Platte County, Missouri, Court Record, v. 1 1839-1846, image 246; Estate of H. F. Burke;
FamilySearch, <http://www.familysearch.org>; FHL microfilm 988945 / #007631728.

1846 – COURT – Platte County, Missouri

His estate was authorized to sell a negro girl named Clovia on 4 May 1846 in Platte
County, Missouri.

The court authorizes the administration of
Henry F Burk deceased to sell a negro girl named
Clovia, belonging to said estate to the highest bid
der on the first day of the June county court
on a audit of twelve months.

Platte County, Missouri, Court Record, v. 1 1839-1846, image 256; Elizabeth Burke;
FamilySearch, <http://www.familysearch.org>; FHL microfilm 988945 / #007631728.

1846 – COURT – Platte County, Missouri

His estate was ordered to pay Robert Shaw \$5.333 and James Kuykendall \$12 on 1 Jun
1846 in Platte, Missouri, United States.

Robert Shaw

vs

Estate of H. F. Burke deceased legal notice being
received the court allows plaintiff five dollars and
33 cents for his debt and assign it to the 5th day.

James Kuykendall

vs

Estate of H. F. Burke deceased legal notice being
received the court allows plaintiff twelve dollars
for his debt and assigns to the 5th day.

Platte County, Missouri, Court Record, v. 1 1839-1846, image 261; Elizabeth Burke;
FamilySearch, <http://www.familysearch.org>; FHL microfilm 988945 / #007631728

1846 – COURT – Platte County, Missouri

Henry Burke's estate was ordered to pay J. Woods \$9 on 5 Aug 1846 in Platte, Missouri,
United States.

J Woods

vs

Estate of H F Burke deceased legal notice being
waived the court allows plaintiff nine dollars
for his debt and assigns it to the 1st day.

Platte County, Missouri, Court Record, v. 1 1839-1846, image 267; Elizabeth Burke;
FamilySearch, <http://www.familysearch.org>; FHL microfilm 988945 / #007631728

1847 – COURT – Platte County, Missouri

His estate was ordered to pay Benjamin Holliday \$7.40 on 2 Feb 1847 in Platte County,
Missouri.

Benjamin Holliday

vs

The Estate of Henry F Burk dec'd
acct 7.40 dollars
legal motion
being waived in open court
and the court being satisfied with proof the amt of
seven dollars and forty cents is acclaimed by this court and
assigned to the 5th class

Platte County, Missouri, Court Record, v. 1 1839-1846, image 309; Elizabeth Burke;
FamilySearch, <http://www.familysearch.org>; FHL microfilm 988945 / #007631728

1847- COURT – Platte County, Missouri

Elizabeth Burke made her first annual statement as administratrix for the estate of Henry
Burke on 8 Feb 1847 in Platte, Missouri, United States.

Now here comes Elizabeth A Burk administratrix of estate of Henry F Burk makes her first annual settlement which is in the words and figures following to wit:

For amount of sale bill of personal estate Filed July 5, 1845 \$483.93
for amount of proceeds of sale of negro girl \$299.28

Total Indebtness \$783.18

By payment to Dr. W I Westerfield voucher No 1 \$7.00
By payment to Peter Bishler voucher no 2 \$5.00
by payment to John W Taylor voucher no 3 \$2.50
by payment to A. M. Bett voucher no 4 \$10.00
by payment to G P Past voucher no 5 \$2.19
by payment to G W Goodlander voucher no 6 \$3.50
by balance being indebtedness Feb 8 1846 \$750.99

Now here comes Elizabeth Burk administratrix of the estate of Henry F Burk deceased and files in open court here her petition in writing stating that the personal estate of said deceased is insufficient to pay the debts of said estate, and prays for the sale of the real estate of said deceased to wit: lots no. 11 and 12 in block no 42 in the town of Weston in Platte County or so much thereof as will pay the debts of said estate. Accompanied by a true account of her administration. A list of the debts due and by the said deceased and remaining unpaid and accounting of the real estate and the remaining personal and all the assets in her hands. The whole verified by the affidavit of the said administratrix

It is therefore ordered by the court that all persons interested in said estate be notified thereof and that unless the contrary be shown on the first day of the next May session of this court AD 1847 An order will be made for the sale of the whole of said real estate as will pay the debts of estate and expenses of administration such notice may be given by ten hand bills put up in the public places in Platte County in which said real estate is situate. Court adjourns till 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Platte County, Missouri, Court Record, v. 1 1839-1846, image 313; Elizabeth Burke; FamilySearch, <http://www.familysearch.org>; FHL microfilm 988945 / #007631728

1847 – COURT – Platte County, Missouri

Elizabeth filed a petition for the sale of real estate in Henry Burke's estate to pay debts on 6 May 1847 in Platte, Missouri, United States.

Thursday May 6 AD 1847
In Matter of Estate of
Henry F Burke deceased

Order to sell real estate

And now here comes Elizabeth Burke
administratrix of said decedents estate and proves to the
satisfaction of the court that she has notified according
to law all persons interested in said estate that she has
filed her petition in this court praying the sale of the
real estate of said decedent or so much thereof as will be
sufficient to pay the debts of said estate and the expenses of
administration, said petition being accompanied by a true
account of her administration, a list of debts due to and
by the deceased and remaining unpaid, and an inventory of
the real estate and remaining personal estate with its appraised
value and of all the assets in her hands. The [whoh] veriefied
by the affidavit of said administratrix. and the court
being satisfied that the prayer of said petition ought to be
granted doth order that the said Elizabeth Burke as such
administratrix sell the following described real estate or so
much thereof as will be sufficient to pay the debts of said estate and the
expenses of administration, that is to say
lots number eleven and twelve in block number forty two
with their appurtenances, situated in the county of Platte in
the state of Missouri, said real estate to be sold at public
or private sale in the discretion of said administratrix. If at
public sale, to be at the court house door in Platt City
on the first Monday in August next between the hours
of ten o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon
of said day at public outcry and openly by auction to
the highest bidder, first giving 4 weeks notice in a newspaper
or twenty days previous notice by ten written notices
posted up at different public places in said County of
Platt of the true place and terms of sale.
And that said administratrix report her proceedings
herein to the next August term of this Court
Ordered that court adjourn until
Nine o'clock tomorrow morning.

Platte County, Missouri, Court Record, v. 1 1839-1846, image 339; Elizabeth Burke;
FamilySearch, <http://www.familysearch.org>; FHL microfilm 988945 / #007631728

1847 – COURT – Platte County, Missouri

Elizabeth Burke was authorized as administratrix of the estate of Henry Burke to sell lots
11 and 12 in block 42 on 4 Aug 1847 in Platte, Missouri, United States

In the matter of the Estate of

Henry F Burk dec'd

Ordered by the court that Elizabeth Burk
administratrix of said estate by and she is hereby authorized
and required to sell the following real estate belonging to said estate
to wit: lots no. 11 and 12 in block no 42 in the Town of Weston
either at public or private sale on the first week of the next
Sept. circuit court she first giving public notice of said

sail by posting up hand bills to that effect.

Platte County, Missouri, Court Record, v. 1 1839-1846, image 358; Elizabeth Burke; FamilySearch, <http://www.familysearch.org>; FHL microfilm 988945 / #007631728.

1847 – COURT – Platte County, Missouri

Elizabeth was ordered by the court as administratrix of the estate of Henry Burke that she be authorized to sell lot in block 42 on 1 Nov 1847 in Platte, Missouri, United States.

Ordered by the court that Elizabeth Burke, administratrix of the Estate of Henry F. Burke deceased be the authorized to sell lot no in block no 42 in the town of Weston at private or public sale by giving four weeks notice by 10 written hand bills in ten public places in this county to be sold if at public sale on the first day of the next session of this court on a cr of six months the purchase giving bond with approved security.

Missouri, Platte County. Court Records, 1839-1887. Film #988945 DGS 7631728. Elizabeth Burke, 1 Nov 1847; Vol. 1: page 170 (image 97); digital images, Family Search <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 5 September 2022.

1847 – COURT – Platte County, Missouri

On 6 Dec 1847, she was ordered by the court to continue the sale of town lot in Weston, Platte, Missouri, United States

Ordered by the court that Elizabeth Burke administratrix of the estate Henry F Burke deceased continue the sale of town lot in Westin until the first Monday in January 1847.

Platte County, Missouri, Court Record, v. 1 1839-1846, image 339; Elizabeth Burke; FamilySearch, <http://www.familysearch.org>; FHL microfilm 988945 / #007631728

1848 – COURT – Platte County, Missouri

Elizabeth Burke submitted the second annual report for the estate of Henry Burke on 7 Feb 1848 in Platte, Missouri, United States.

Now here came Elizabeth Burk administratrix of the Estate of Henry F Burk dec and makes her 2 annual settlement of said estate, which stands thus

amt at last settlement \$750.90
Cash rec'd since that time \$259.02
total \$1000.00

Contra Cr
1 Clks fees for recording \$.75
2 Lewis Clerks fee \$6.10
3 Amt pd Martin Bland \$15.00
4 Amt Dr. A. M. Bett \$ 8.00

5 Amt D. P. Mallingford \$15.00
6 Amt Nathan Newby \$ 3.00
7 Amt paid J Woods \$ 9.00
8 Amt paid Saml Dowery \$ 2.00
9 P. C. Poacity \$ 6.92 \$1000.00 debts
10 W H Bell \$ 40.00
11 B Holladay \$ 3.00
12 W H Bell \$140.00
13 Jas Kuykendall \$ 5.00
14 J. G. Coksill \$ 6.00 259.77 credits

Bal on hand Feb 7 1848 \$740.24

Missouri, Platte County. Court Records, 1839-1887. Film #988945 DGS 7631728. Henry Burke Estate, 7 Feb 1848; Vol. 1: page 235 (image 131); digital images, *Family Search* <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 5 September 2022

1848 – COURT – Platte County, Missouri

Elizabeth made a report to the court about the insufficient personal property to pay the debts of Henry Burke's estate on 10 Nov 1848 in Platte, Missouri, United States.

Now at this time of the court comes Elizabeth Burke administratrix of the estate of Henry F Burk deceased and files her report of all the proceedings in relation to the sale of real estate made under the order of this court which is as follows

Whereas at the February term of the County Court of Platte County Missouri, the said administratrix filed her petition in the court as the law requires showing the amount of indebtedness of said estate and also of the amount of money on hand and due said estate, and sharing to the said satisfaction of the court that the personal property is wholly insufficient to pay the debts of said estate and praying for a sale order for the sale lots no. 11 & 12 in block no. 42 situate in the town of Weston Platte County aforesaid which petition references may be had to said petition now on file in this office, whereupon the said court proceed to make an order requiring said administratrix to notify all person interested in said estate to be [?] appear at the May term of said county court AD 1847 to show cause why said order of sale should not be made by posting up ten hand bills in ten public places in said county, where upon at the August Term AD 1847 of said county court the said administratrix proved to the satisfaction of the court that she has notified according to law all persons interested in said estate and the court being satisfied that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted did then and there order and require that the said Elizabeth as adminstratrix aforesaid, sell the above described real estate, or so much thereof as will be sufficient to pay the debts of said estate and expenses of administration at public auction at the courthouse door in Plate City on the 1st Monday in August AD 1847 first giving 4 weeks notice in same newspaper or twenty days notice previous to the day of sale, by ten written notices posted up at different public places in said county of Platte, of time, places and manner of said sale, whereupon at the August session of

said court AD 1847 said court made an order requiring the said real estate above described to be sold at the said November term 1847 of the first week of the circuit court within and of said county also requiring the said administratrix to give public notice — whereupon the said administratrix proceeded to sell said real estate on the 6th day of September 1847, and William Bell, then and then became the purchaser of lot no. 12 in block no 42, for the sum of twenty dollars and James Johnson was the highest and best bidder for not no 11 in block no 42 for the sum of thirty five dollars said Johnson refusing to pay the purchase money on said lot no 11 in block no 42 where upon at the November term of said court said administratrix was ordered to resell said lot no 11 in block no 42 on the first day of the next December term 1847 of said court by giving four weeks notice by posting up 10 hand bills in 10 of the court, a copy of which notice is herewith filed as part of this report — whereupon, whereupon the said administratrix on the first Monday in December and whilst the county court of said county was in session, the same being the 6th day of December AD 1847, proceeded at the court house door to sell said lot no 11 in block no 42 to the highest bidder and with our Mr. Suggett being the highest & best bidder, said lot was cried off to him at the price of twenty one dollars and twenty five cents whereupon said Suggett executed his bond with approved surety for the payment of said money as required by the order of this court, whereupon the said Elizabeth Burke as administratrix aforesaid mad and executed her deed as aforesaid to the aforesaid purchaser on the 9th day of November AD 1848, all of which is respectfully submitted

Missouri, Platte County. Court Records, 1839-1887. Film #988945 DGS 7631728. Henry Burke Estate, 10 Nov 1848; vol. 1: page 459-460; digital images, *Family Search* <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 5 September 2022

Henry F. Burke

Wednesday, September 28, 2022

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A claim for \$122 against the estate of Henry F Burke was granted to William C. Moore on 4 Apr 1846 in Platte, Missouri, United States. 14

His estate was authorized to sell a negro girl named Clovia on 4 May 1846 in Platte, Missouri, United States. 15

Henry's estate was ordered to pay Robert Shaw \$5.33 and James Kuykendall \$12 on 1 Jun 1846 in Platte, Missouri, United States. 16

His estate was ordered to pay J. Woods \$9 on 5 Aug 1846 in Platte, Missouri, United States. 17

His estate was ordered to pay Joseph Dinon \$104.73 and A. M. Bell \$24.50 on 7 Sep 1846 in Platte, Missouri, United States. 18

Henry's estate was ordered to pay Benjamin Holliday \$7.40 on 2 Feb 1847 in Platte, Missouri, United States. 19

Henry F. Burke and Elizabeth Ann Bland 8 were married on 22 Oct 1835 in Monroe, Kentucky, United States. 20 – 22

Elizabeth Ann Bland, daughter of Eli Bland and Sarah Susan Anderson, was born on 25 Dec 1813. 23 – 24

She was appointed administrator of the estate of Henry Burke on 3 Nov 1845 in Platte, Missouri, United States. 25

She presented an inventory and bill of sale of the effects for Henry Burke's estate on 5 Jan 1846 in Platte, Missouri, United States. 26

Elizabeth was listed on the tax rolls with 1 slave valued at \$400, 3 horses, 8 cows and 1 C&W in 1847 in Platte City, Platte, Missouri, United States. 27

She made her first annual statement as administratrix for the estate of Henry Burke on 8 Feb 1847 in Platte, Missouri, United States. 28

She purchased the S 1/2 SW 1/4 Section 34 T54 R36 for \$260 from Elihu H. Randolph and his wife Marthy on 25 Mar 1847 in Platte City, Platte County, Missouri. 29

Elizabeth filed a petition for the sale of real estate in Henry Burke's estate to pay debts on 6 May 1847 in Platte, Missouri, United States. 30

On 8 May 1847, she sold land being lot number 11 in block number 42 in Weston, Platte County, Missouri. 31

On 4 Aug 1847, she was authorized as administratrix of the estate of Henry Burke to sell lots 11 and 12 in Block 42 in Weston, Platte, Missouri, United States. 32

Elizabeth was ordered by the court as administratrix of the estate of Henry Burke that she be authorized to sell lot in block 42 on 1 Nov 1847 in Platte, Missouri, United States. 33

On 6 Dec 1847, she was ordered by the court to continue the sale of town lot in Weston, Platte, Missouri, United States. 34

She submitted the second annual report for the estate of Henry Burke on 7 Feb 1848 in Platte, Missouri, United States. 35

Elizabeth was made a report to the court about the insufficient personal property to pay the debts of Henry Burke's estate on 10 Nov 1848 in Platte, Missouri, United States. 36

She sold land being lot 11 in block 42 in the estate of Henry Burke on 10 Nov 1848 in Platte County, Missouri. 37

She was listed on the tax rolls with 1 slave valued at \$250 and \$55 in other property in 1849 in Platte City, Platte, Missouri, United States. 38

In 1850, Elizabeth was listed on the slave schedule owning one 19 year old black female in Marshall Township, Platte, Missouri, United States. 39

She lived in Weston, Platte County, Missouri on 13 Aug 1850. 40

She purchased land being the northwest forty of the SW 1/4 Section 34 T54 R36 from Elisah H. Randolph for \$300 on 21 May 1851 in Platte City, Platte County, Missouri. 41 – 42

Elizabeth was appointed executor of the estate of Sarah G. Maynard and Martin T.

Maynard, heirs at law of Eli Bland, deceased on 1 Mar 1852 in Platte, Missouri, United States. 43

She sold land being the 10 acres of land lying on the East side of Bear creek and adjoining the land of John Groff all part of West 1/2 SW 1/4 S34 T54 R36 to John Groff for \$100 on 7 Sep 1852 in Platte City, Platte County, Missouri. 44

She sold land being the E 1/2 SW 1/4 Section 34 T54 R365 containing 80 acres for \$3200 to Matthew Martin Bland on 21 Apr 1860 in Platte County, Missouri. 45

Elizabeth lived in Marshall Township, Platte, Missouri, United States on 29 Jun 1860. 46

She died before Feb 1865 at the age of 51 in Platte County, Missouri. 47

Her administrator of her estate presented proof of motion of grant of letters to the court on 4 Feb 1865 in Platte, Missouri, United States. 47

The court ordered the sale of Elizabeth's land due to a petition for partition filed by her daughters, Sarah Hornbuckle and Angelina Curry. The land was sold to son, Milton E. Burk. 48

In the case of Guilford Hornbuckle and Sarah Hornbuckle, his wife & Hiram Curry and Angelina Curry, his wife, versus Milton E Burke, the court found for the plaintiffs' and assessed damages on 5 Apr 1877 in Platte, Missouri, United States. 49

The Court of Common Pleas case of Guilford Hornbuckle & Sarah Hornbuckle, his wife & Hiram Curry and Angelina Curry, his wife, vs. John M. Burke and Milton E. Burke was affirmed on 10 Apr 1877 in Platte, Missouri, United States. 50

Elizabeth may have been buried at Laurel Hill Cemetery in Weston, Platte County, Missouri. 24

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RootsMagic to WikiTree

Thursday, September 29, 2022

Do you have any of your tree on WikiTree? Although I had heard “Dear Myrtle,” “Cousin Russ” and others talk about “cousin bait” and the use of WikiTree, I don’t have a lot of my data on WikiTree.

That all may change thanks to the recent meeting of Topeka Genealogical Society's Computer Special Interest Group (via zoom) last Thursday. During the meeting, Rich shared a lot of information about WikiTree including a GenealogyTV video.

After participating in the group, I decided to give WikiTree another try.

Since I have been updating my 3rd great-grandparents, I decided to see whether I could use a RootsMagic narrative report to create a profile for one of those great grandparents. I started with Henry Burke, whom I had to add. Since I had his daughter, Angelina Burke in my tree, I clicked on her father to add him. Then I

- entered his birth and death dates
- verified he wasn't already in the tree
- added his place of death
- added the Find a Grave record as the source

This created a 'basic profile.' Then I clicked to EDIT the profile. I copied the RootsMagic narrative report that I had created for Henry Burke into the biography section. This replaced the "generic" birth/death information with the narrative for his life. This process changes the superscript endnotes numbers to regular numbers at the end of each fact sentence.

I had previously tried this with Nelson G. Crawford's profile and decided to put parenthesis around the numbers so that readers might realize they were embedded endnote numbers.

He received a patent for land being the west half of the north west quarter of section eight in Township twenty one north of Range Eight West in the district of lands subject to sale at Crawfordville Indiana containing eighty acres on Dec 2 1830 in Crawfordville, Montgomery, Indiana, United States. (7-8)

In 1832, he was listed on the tax rolls for chattle property in Gasper Township, Preble County, Ohio. (9-10)

Nelson lived in Section 8 in Warren County, Indiana in 1832. (3)

He purchased land being the S 1/2 of Section 30 in Township 23 N of Range of W for \$1600 from William A Duggins on 2 Sep 1833 in Pine Township, Warren, Indiana, United States. (11)

He married Martha Smith on 3 Sep 1833 in Warren County, Indiana. (2-3,12-18)


When working with Henry Burke’s profile, I explored the help resources and discovered that I could “embed” the sources by using the <ref> tag.

Embed them as references (footnotes)

As you become more experienced and start to collaborate with other Wikitellers you may need to learn how to create references, i.e. footnotes, endnotes, or citations.

After stating a fact for which you have a source, surround the reference with these tags:

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<ref> ... </ref>
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This button on the edit toolbar will automatically create them:  **Cite your source?**

References will automatically appear in place of the `<references>` tag, which should be directly below the `<=< Sources ==` headline.

Here's an example:

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You can see the footnote this produces at the [bottom of this page](#).

https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Help:Sources#Embed_them_as_references_28footnotes.2

Further down on the help page was information on how to reuse a citation.

Advanced Sourcing

Repeated use of the same source in the same profile

Here's how to use the same source citation multiple times. The first time you use it, include a "name" inside the ref tag, like this:

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In all following references you can just use this:

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<ref name="Smith certificate"/>
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Done this way, all subsequent footnotes for this same source will point to the same footnote at the bottom of the page. Note that "in the Smith certificate" example above is a quotation mark, not two apostrophes.

(Other methods for using the same source multiple times have been variously proposed and used. All methods other than the above are not recommended. See [Alternative Sourcing Methods](#) for more on this.)

https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Help:Sources#Embed_them_as_references_.28footnotes.28

Since I've used the Find a Grave citation for multiple facts, I wanted to use this technique for that source. So, I assigned the name "find grave"

== Biography ==

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Then I just referred to that name when I wanted to reuse the citation.

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When finished embedding the sources, I saved the profile. This published my narrative report with superscript endnote numbers.

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At the bottom of the biography is the numbered list of sources with links back to the biography.

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To summarize, I

- Used RootsMagic to generate a narrative report for my ancestor and open that report in Word.
- Copied the biographical portion of the narrative report into the WikiTree profile for my ancestor
- Used the <ref> </ref> tags to create an embedded citation
- Copied the source information from the word copy of the narrative report (or from RootsMagic) and pasted it after the <ref> tag and before the </ref> tag
- Used the name= function to assign a name to a citation so that I could reuse it
- Saved the updated profile when finished embedding the sources (See Henry Burke)

Now that I've not only figured out how I can use the narrative report to create the WikiTree biography but also how it fairly quickly and easily embed the citations, I will likely build out more of my tree.

Friday Finds

Friday, September 30, 2022

Do you have any documents in your files that you do not remember how you learned of their existence? That's the case with today's Friday Find.

This document is photocopies of pages from the Illinois Executive Record. According to my handwritten notations on the copies, this was from Volume 1 for the years 1818-1832. I have not been able to locate this source online.

Buried in the photocopies from the 1827 and 1829 pages are two little pieces of information about Hiram M Curry of Peoria County, Illinois

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Vandalia January 5, 1827

Peoria

Issued Commissions to Hiram M Curry & Isaac

Waters as justices of the Peace for Peoria County

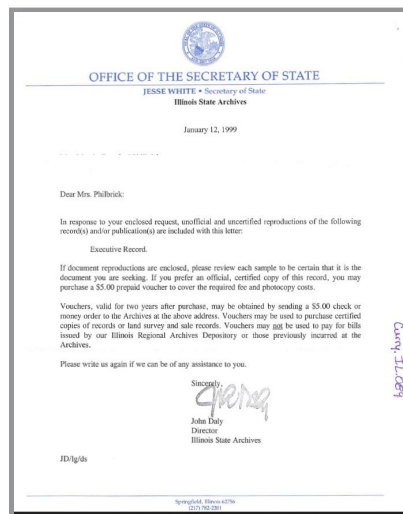
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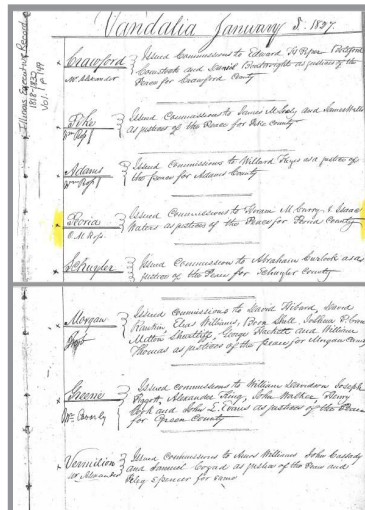
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Issued commission to Hiram M Curry Justice of the peace for the County of Peoria

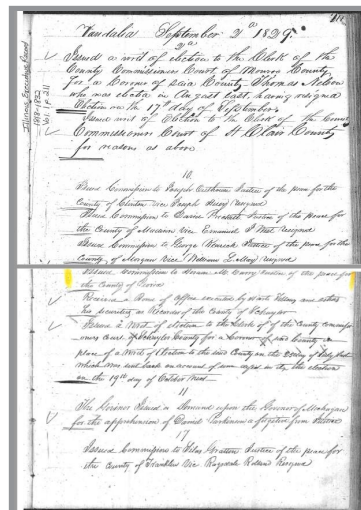
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R-Y88686

Haplogroup R-Y88686 represents a man who is estimated to have been born around 300 years ago, plus or minus 100 years.

That corresponds to about 1700 CE with a 95% probability he was born between 1600 CE and 1800 CE.

He is the most recent paternal line ancestor of all members of this group.

R-Y88686's paternal lineage branched off from R-A13336 and the rest of mankind about 500 years ago, plus or minus 150 years.

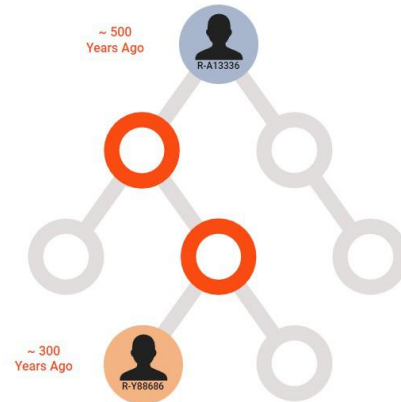
There are 6 DNA test-confirmed descendants, and they have specified that their direct paternal origins are from United States, Northern Ireland and Scotland with 1 from unknown countries.

As more people test, the history of this genetic lineage might be further refined.

R-Y88686 descendants are from these countries:

United States	Northern Ireland	Scotland	Unknown Country
			
3 Testers	1 Tester	1 Tester	1 Tester

* Based on self-reported earliest known direct paternal countries of origin from participants.



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